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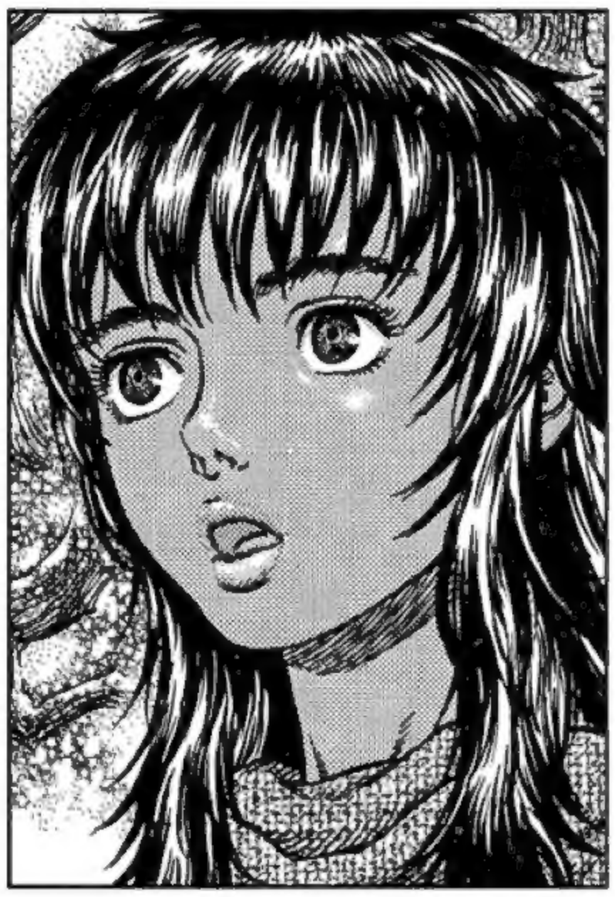
ガッツ *Guts*

The main character of the story, the Black Swordsman. He exists in the interstice, wears the Berserker armor, and his soul is constantly torn between protecting Casca and challenging Griffith. That struggle is nothing short of sublime.



キャスカ *Casca*

Former unit commander of the Band of the Hawk; mentally regressed from her experience in the eclipse. She now neither speaks nor conveys any feelings. Her brand, which reacts to evil, is narrowly shielded by Flora's talisman.

パック *Puck*

An elf who's long been with Guts on his journeys. His dust has the power to heal wounds. He confirmed that he's a wind spirit, and he also changes into Chestnut Puck.

シールケ *Schierke*

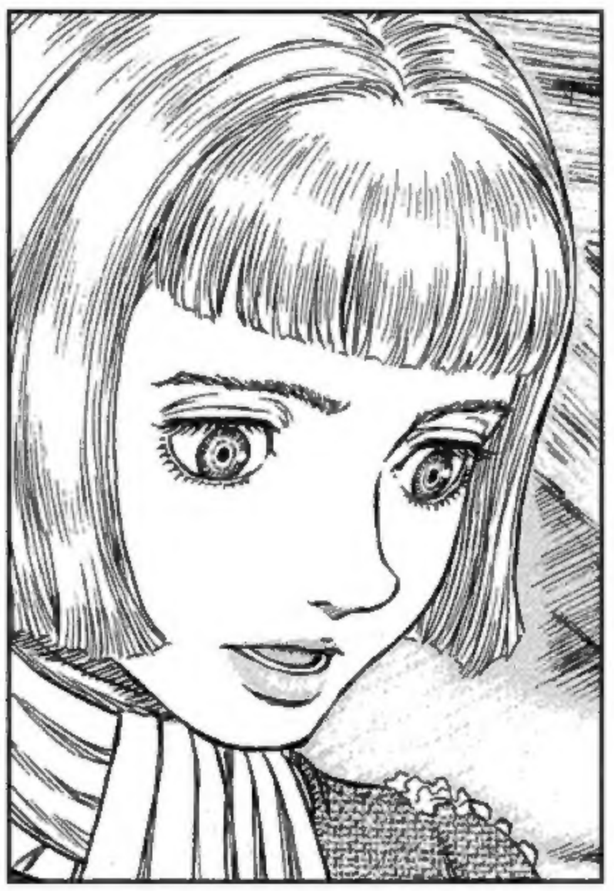
Disciple of Flora, witch of the spirit tree mansion. She supports Guts and the others through her use of magic; however, among her spells are some beyond her mastery, which occasionally place her in great peril as she tries to aid her allies. She has a stilted side to her personality.

イシドロ *Isidro*

Dreams of being the "ultimate swordsman," but his actual talent, not up to snuff, repeatedly endangers him. Nevertheless, the boy endeavors toward his dream. He is currently equipped with a fetish granted the protection of fire elementals.

グリフィス *Griffith*

Through the eclipse of the Crimson Behelit, he was reborn as Femto of the Godhand. Later he was incarnated in the imitation eclipse catalyzed by the egg-shaped apostle, thus returning to the physical world, in which he became the "absolute," without equal. He leads the reborn Band of the Hawk.



ファルネーゼ *Farnese*

Former commander of the Holy See's Holy Iron Chain Knights, and daughter of the Vandimion family, one of influential status and wealth in the religious sphere. She seeks to learn from Guts her own means of survival, and about the reality of the world.

セルピコ *Serpico*

Attendant of Farnese, and actually her brother. However, Farnese is not aware of the blood relationship. He is skilled in fighting, and currently clad in a fetish granted the protection of wind elementals.

マニフィコ *Magnifico*

Third son of the Vandimion family, and Farnese's legitimate brother. He is also a friend of Roderick's. Though he's an ordinary person, the course of events has led him to accompany Guts' group.

ロデリック *Roderick*

Captain of the naval vessel *Seahorse* and third in line to the royal throne of lith, a maritime power within the domain of the Holy See. He is a friend of Farnese's brother and has become her fiancé. He is currently taking Guts and the others to Skellig Island, where the Elfhelm is located.

The giant demonic beast transformation of Ganishka was put to death by Griffith, and a swing of the Knight of Skeleton's Sword of Actuation turned Ganishka into the source from which sprung a new world. The otherworldly light and wind that emitted from Ganishka engulfed every nook and cranny of the planet. Thus did the world change. This new world was one in which creatures mankind had imagined and spoken of for generations suddenly existed.

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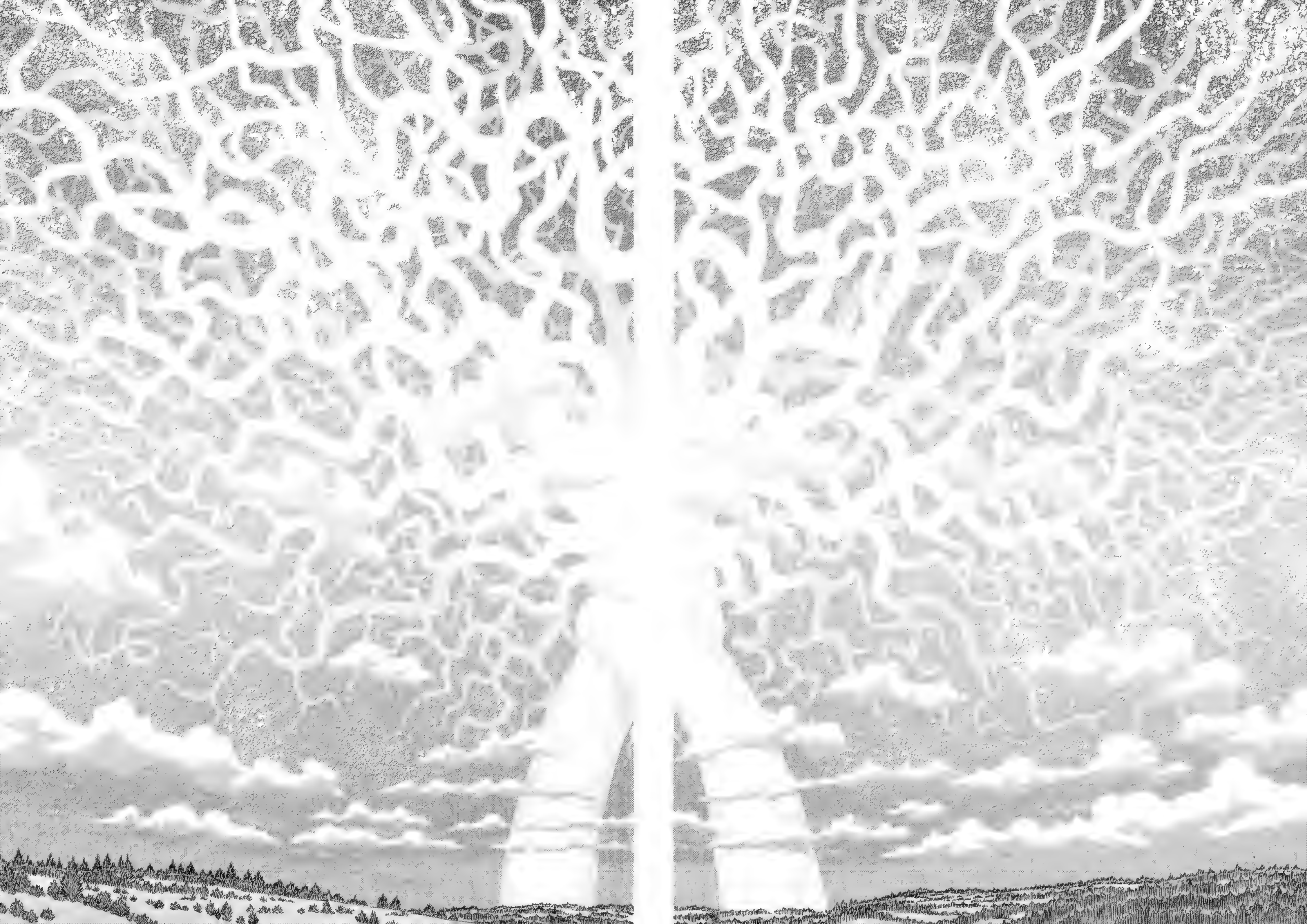
FALCONIA



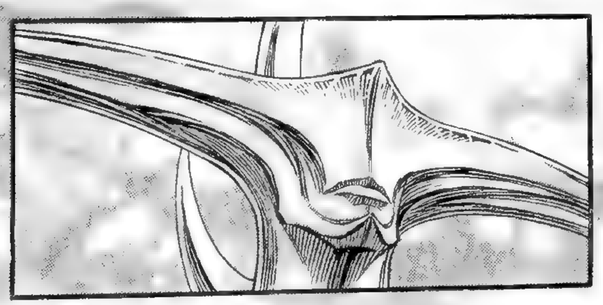
IT WAS LIKE THE VERY ESSENCE OF "TREE" ITSELF.

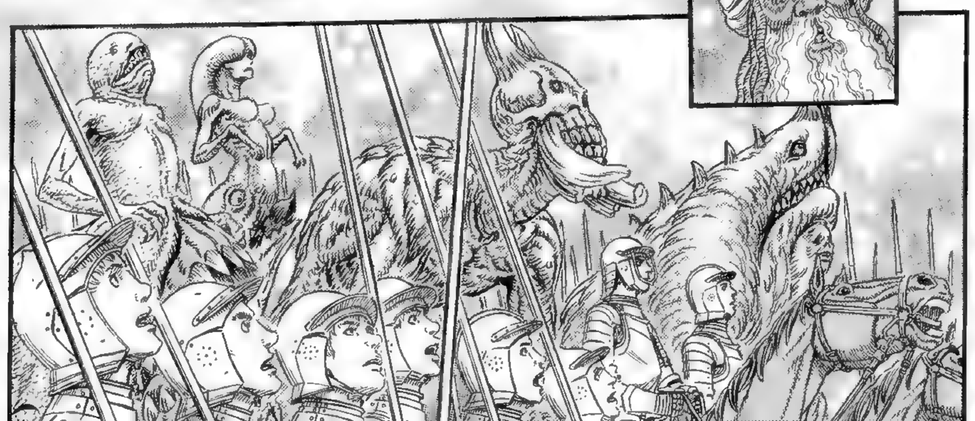
AS IF IT WERE THE ORIGIN ROOTED DEEP WITHIN ALL MANKIND.

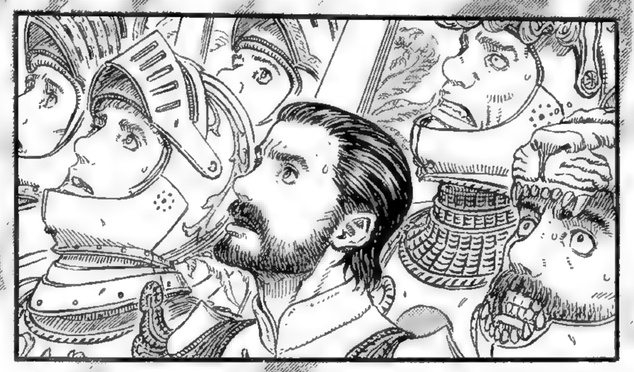
LIKE THE WESTERN TREE OF RITUAL, SIGNIFYING THE REASON OF ALL CREATION...

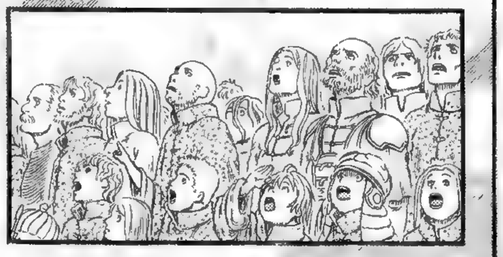
LIKE THE EASTERN TREE OF SUTRA, WHERE THE SAGE MEETS WITH ENLIGHTENMENT...

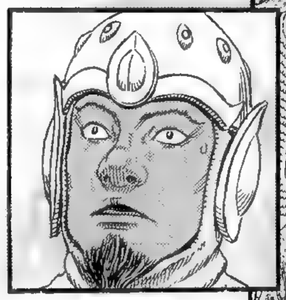
LIKE THE NORTHERN TREE OF MYTH, PIERCING THE HEAVENS AND REACHING TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH...

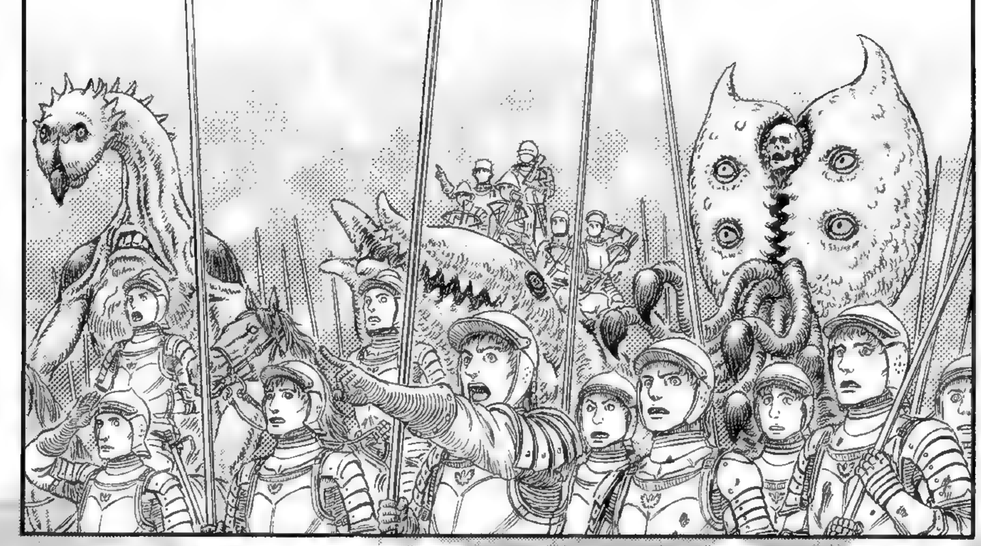


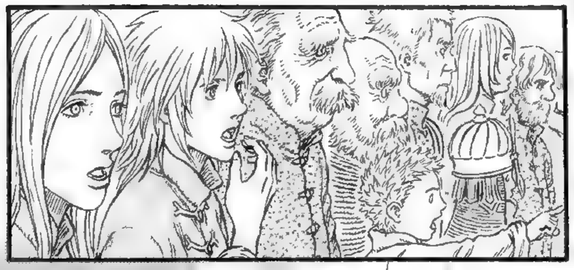


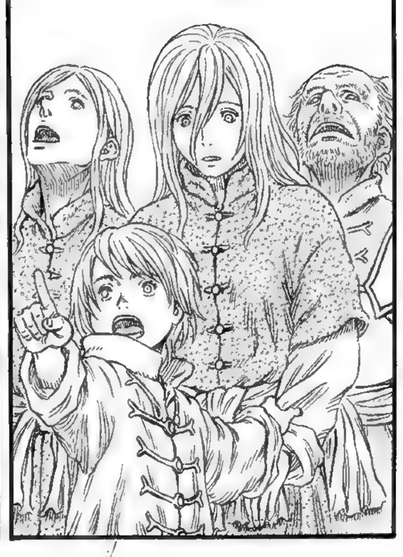


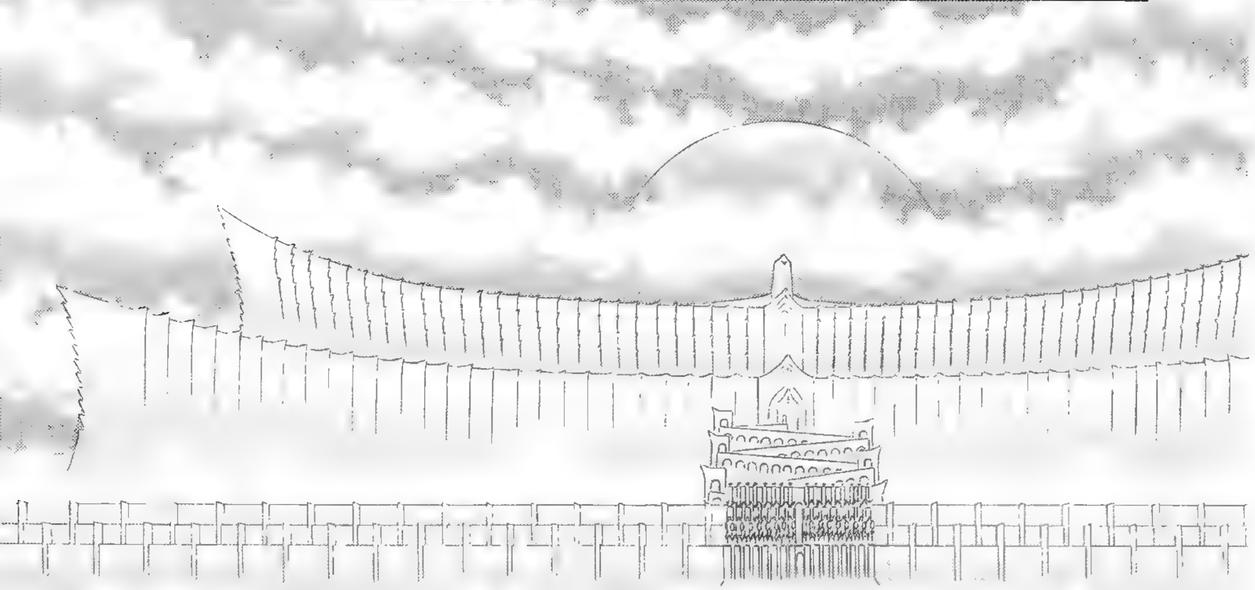


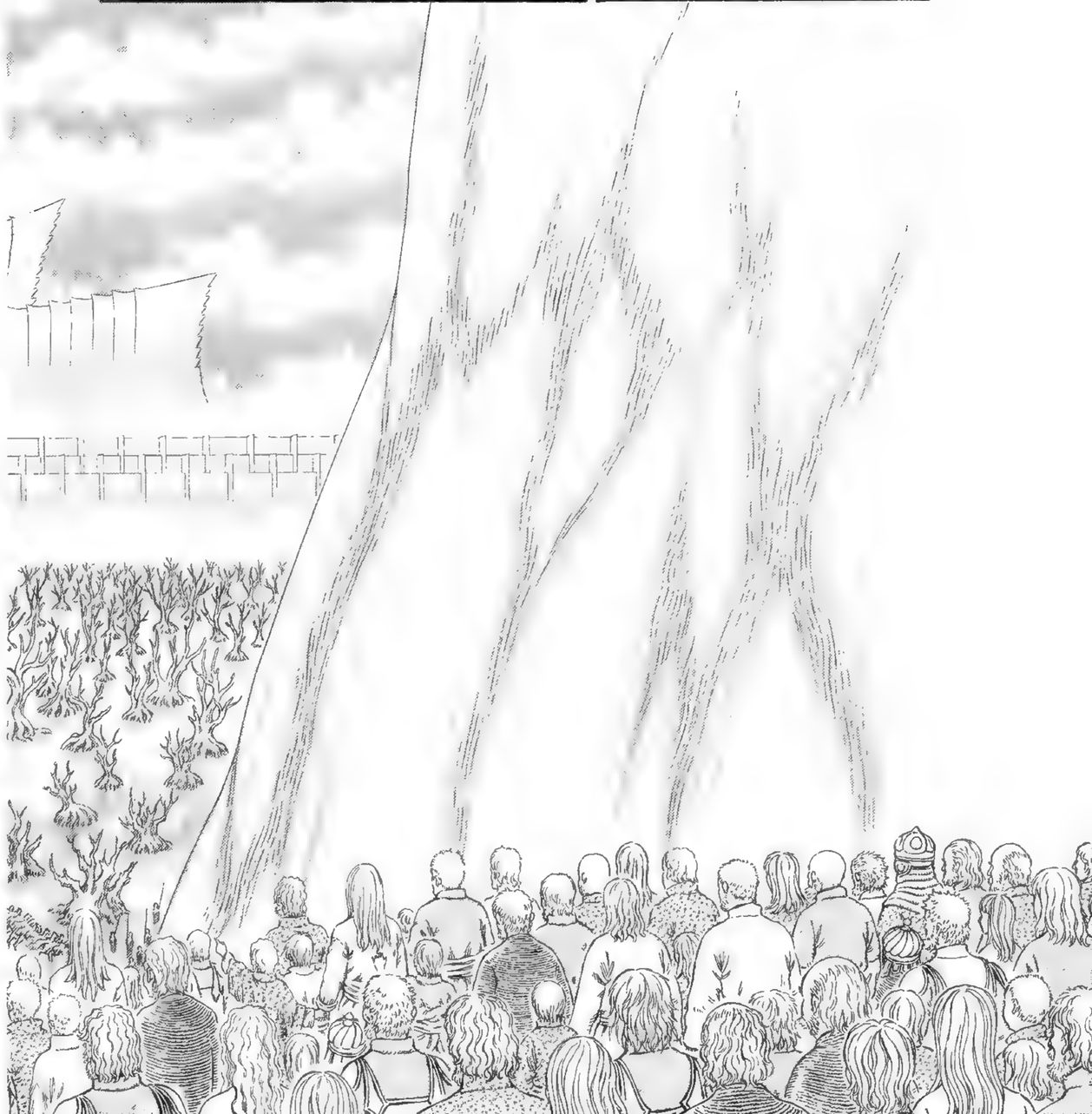


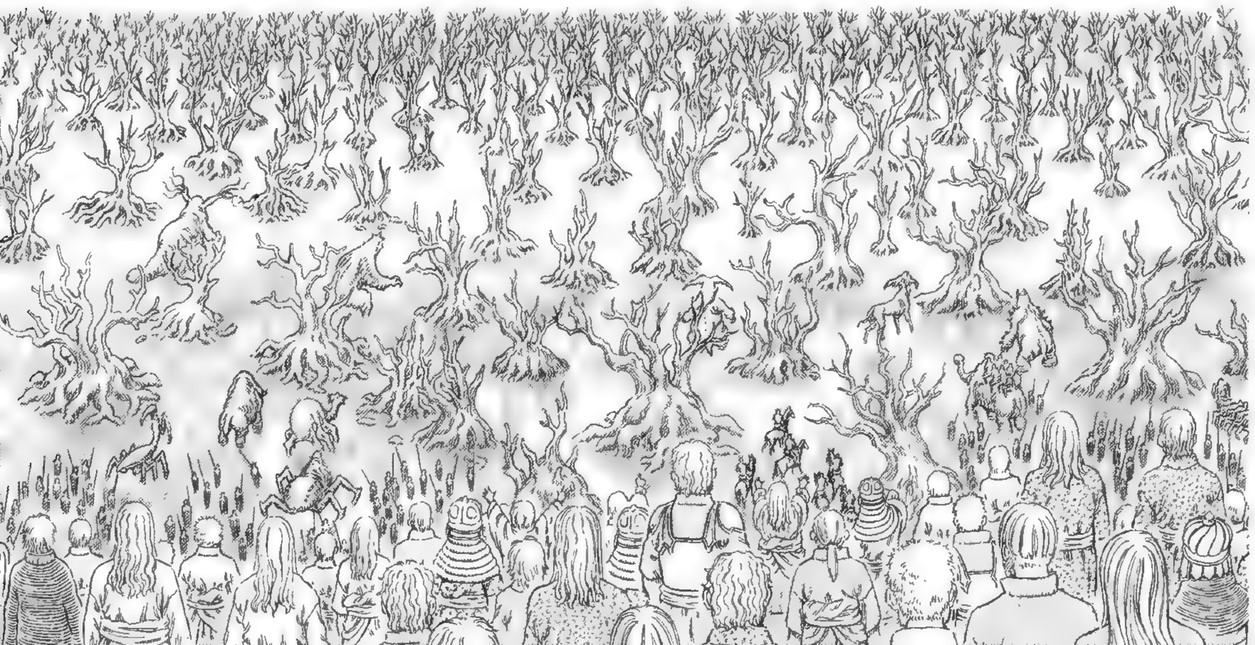


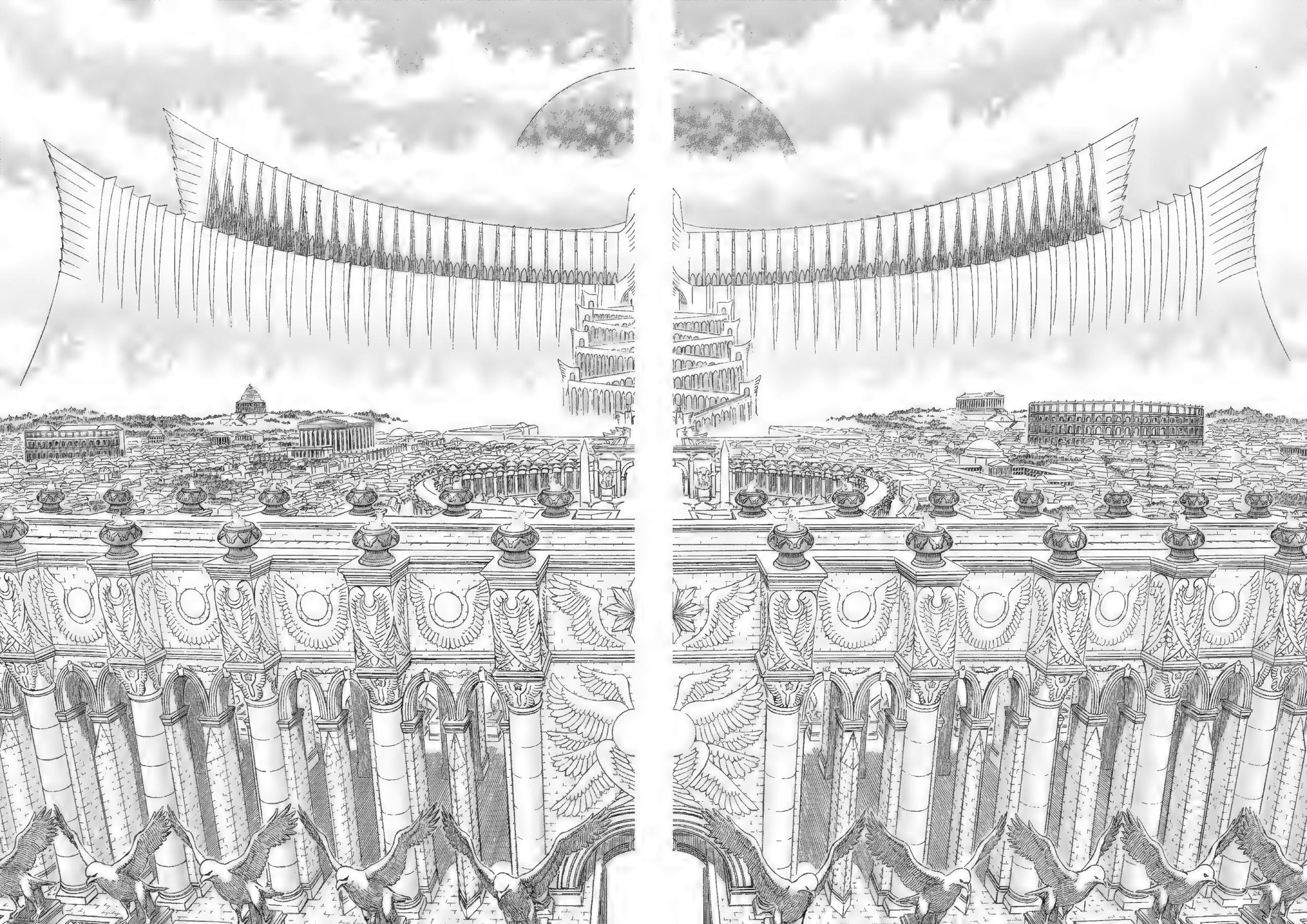












IT DOESN'T APPEAR MAN MADE AT ALL...

MA-JESTIC ...

...TO BE THAT.

IT'S TOO HUGE ...

...NO.

...SO LONG AGO...?

...THE LEGENDARY CITY SAID TO HAVE SUNK DEEP BENEATH WINDHAM ...

IS THAT ...

...WHERE THE *HAWK* SHALL SIT AND RULE.

AS IF IT'S THE CAPITAL OF THE NEW WORLD...

...ALL THE MORE APPROPRI-ATE...

PERHAPS THAT MAKES IT...

WELL...

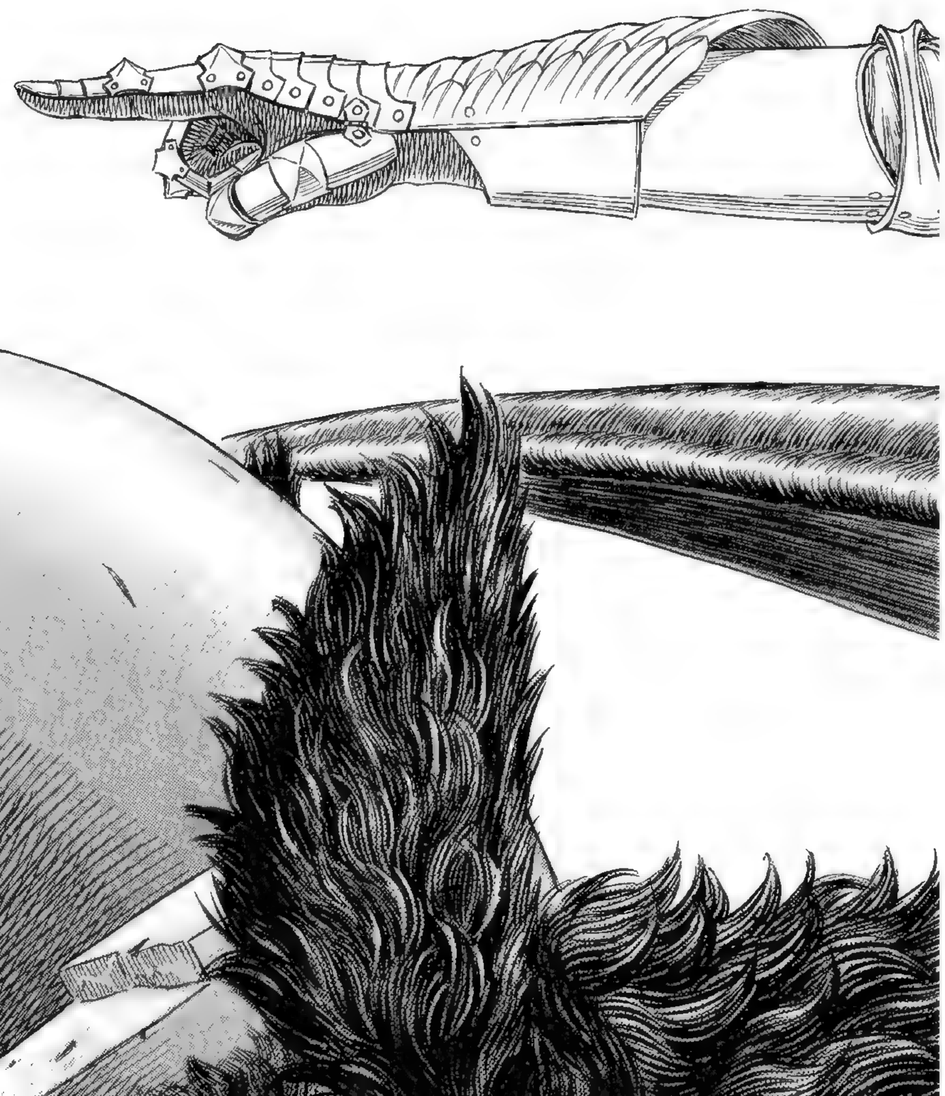
...FALCONIA--CAPITAL OF THE HAWK.

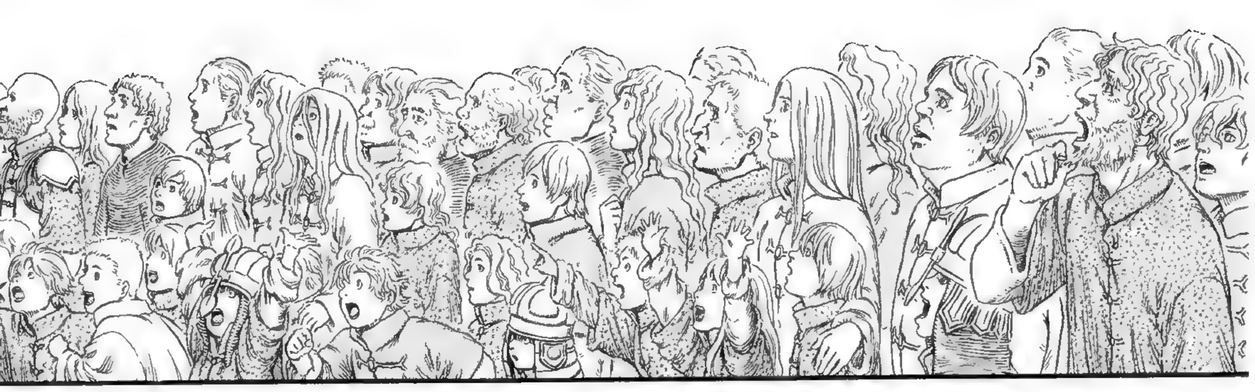
IT TRULY IS...

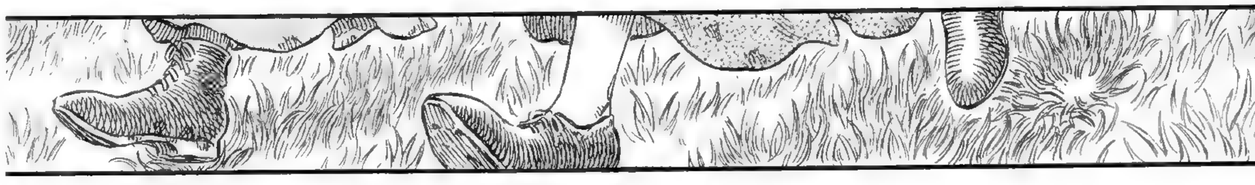
THE CAPITAL OF THE HAWK.

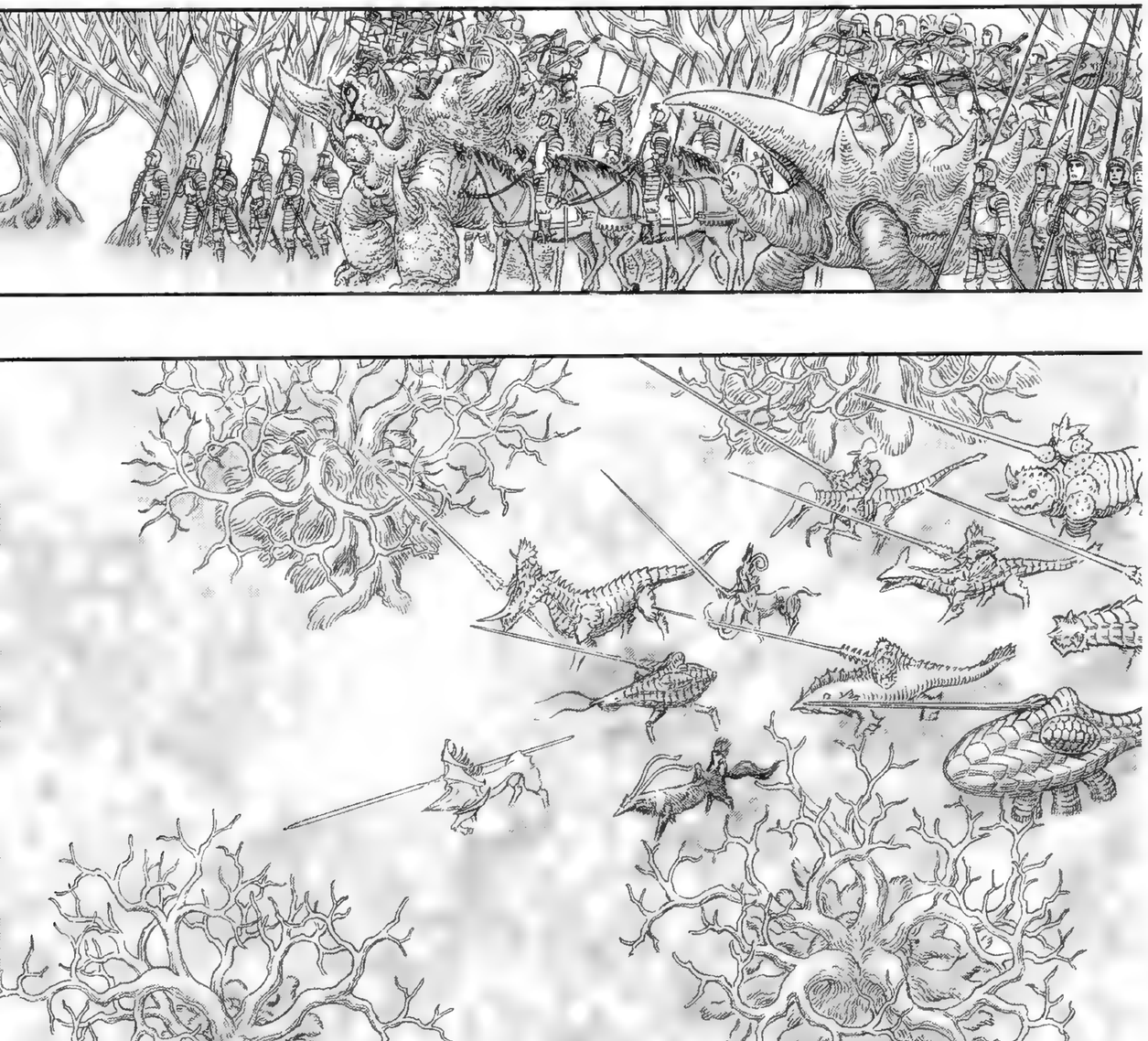
FALCO-NIA.

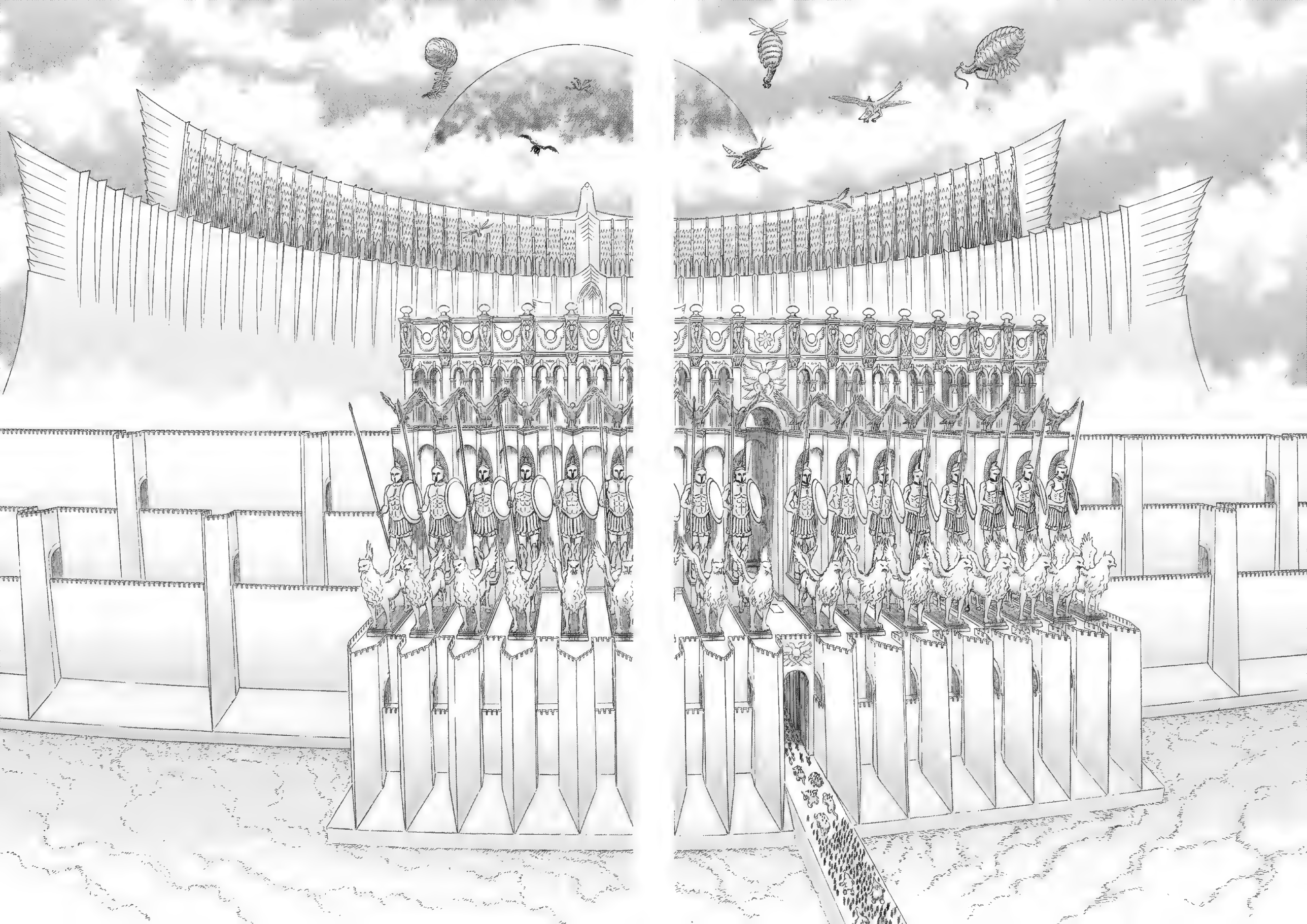
FALCO-NIA...











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GHOST SHIP, PART 1

NO SIGN OF ANY SHIPS AHEEEAD.

ISN'T IT HIGH TIME WE GAVE UP?

BOSS MAN.

YEEEK !

IF YOU CAN'T SPOT SOMETHING BY MORNING, YOU'LL FIND YOURSELF PROMOTED TO SHARK BAIT.

NEVER MIND CATCHING UP TO HER--IT'S ALL WE CAN DO JUST TO STAY AFLOAT...

I MEAN, SHE'S ALREADY WAY OVER THE HORIZON.

AND WHAT'S WORSE, WE'RE JAM-PACKED WITH THREE SHIPS' WORTH OF CREW. THERE'S NO TELLIN' WHEN WE'LL RUN OUT OF FOOD.

THEY'RE ALL SO WORKED UP, THEY MIGHT EVEN MUTINY...!

WE CAN'T EVEN MAKE HEADWAY IN THESE DEAD-CALM SEAS.

AGAH ! ....

ガリ ガリ

*CHIK

HONESTLY, THAT'D BE A GODSEND. WE COULD USE THE TRAITORS AS *BAIT* TO CATCH SHARKS OR SOMETHING, AND KILL TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE.

*SCRAPE

WE WON'T GO HUNGRY IF OUR BELLIES'RE FILLED WITH RAGE.

VINDICTIVE-NESS IS WHAT GIVES A PIRATE HIS VIGOR.

I SWEAR I'LL CHASE HIM TO THE EDGE OF THE WORLD, THEN SEND HIM TO DAVY JONES' LOCKER.

THAT BLASTED IITHIAN STALLION.

IN THIS BUSINESS, YOU'RE FINISHED ONCE SOMEONE MAKES A FOOL OF YOU.

WE'RE ALREADY HALFWAY THERE OURSELVES.

YOU KNOW! EVER SINCE THAT STRANGE "WIND" BLEW THROUGH...

THERE'S BEEN STRANGE RUMORS GOIN' ROUND THE SHIP LATELY...

WHAT? AIN'T YOU *DONE* YET?

B-BUT BOSS MAN.

IT'S TRUE.

I'VE BEEN A SAILOR A LONG TIME, BUT NEVER BEFORE HAD I LAID EYES ON THE LIKES OF THAT.

IT FELT LIKE SOMETHIN' BLEW RIGHT THROUGH MY VERY BODY...

THAT WIND, EH?

...AHH.

HERE I AM, FIT AS A FIDDLE !!

LOOK AT ME! I'VE LIVED THE HEINOUS LIFE OF A PIRATE FOR 25 YEARS!

WOULDN'T I HAVE BEEN HAUNTED TO MY DEATH AGES AGO?!

B-BUT...

IT'S ALWAYS THE SAME WITH SEA DOGS! FEH!

GHOSTS?! MONSTERS?! IT'S ALL *SUPERSTITION!*

...OR GIGANTIC SHADOWS CROSSING BENEATH THE SURFACE.

EVERYBODY'S SCARED SHITLESS WITH THOSE RUMORS FLYIN' ABOUT.

SINCE THEN, THERE'S BEEN REPORTS OF DEAD FORMER CREWMEN WALKING ON THE BULWARKS...

IF THOSE THINGS REALLY DO EXIST...

*ZHLLLF

*BLASSSH

.....

*DOOSH

HHHHSSA.

CHOMP.

*CHSSSSH

*HMM
うーむ
*SHFF
しゅる
AWK
?!
YOU'RE GONNA GET IT WHEN SHE COMES BACK.
COME ON, YOU GUYS, CUT IT OUT!
*TNK
トッ
*FLAP
パタ
*FLAP
パタ

すたっ
*LAND

*RAGE
しゃっ

スコココココ

*FX: TOK TOK TOK TOK

*FLASH

EXPLAIN YOURSELVES !!!

IVAAALE-RAAA...

HEY, THEY SNUCK IN WHILE I WAS TAKIN' A QUICK NAP.

*PBBT

I NEVER GUESSED IT'D BE THIS FUN...

I MEAN, THIS *TRAGIC.*

DON'T MESS AROUND WITH MY OUT-OF-BODY EXPERIENCES!

*FX: EEK!

MIS-TRESS, HAVE YOU RE-TURNED ?

*GCHAK

DON'T OPEN THAT!!

THE ARTISTIC MUSE MADE US DO IT...

*SMOLDER

*CRACKLE

*SNAP

IT WAS JUST SO EASY... I *HAD* TO...

THOSE CHARRED THINGS MUST BE SACRI-FICES.

PLEASE TEACH ME HOW TO DO IT TOO!

IS THIS A RITUAL FOR A NEW SPELL?

OH, NEVER MIND.

MASTER-PIECE!

OH, MY.

.....

*FX· PBBBBT

I HAVE SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT I MUST TELL EVERYONE...

...THAT DOESN'T MATTER.

...AM I TOO LATE?!

*FWEEEEE

!

*THUNK

*THUNK

*THUNK

THEY SURE ARE A TENACIOUS BUNCH.

SURE ENOUGH, IT'S THE PIRATE SHIP THAT SURVIVED OUR BATTLE.

ALL HANDS TO BATTLE STA-TIONS!!

WELL, ANYWAY ...

HOW CAN THIS BE, THOUGH?

WHAT TRICK ARE THEY USING...?

THEY'RE GAINING ON THE *SEA HORSE* IN THAT HEAVILY DAMAGED CARRACK.

IT'S ABOUT THOSE WHO ARE DRAWING NEAR TO THIS SHIP...

NO MORE ROCKING THE BOAT!

RODER-ICK.

WHOA! PIRATES AGAIN ?!

I MUST TELL YOU SOMETHING IMPORTANT.

YES, BUT...

SORRY, BUT I'M BUSY AT THE MOMENT. YOU GUESTS SHOULD RETURN TO THE HOLD...

*FX OOO

...SOMETHING OTHER THAN HUMAN.

THEY ARE...

...YES.

ALL THE TIME...

IT'S BECOME PART OF EVERYDAY LIFE.

Y-YOU MUST BE JOKING! IT'S HAPPENING AGAIN *ALREADY* ...?!

IT TOOK A LITTLE LONGER THAN USUAL, ACTUALLY.

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT ?

IT'S ALL IN A DAY'S WORK FOR US. HAPPENS ALL THE TIME.

YOU MEAN TO TELL ME WE'RE ABOUT TO FACE MORE MONSTERS ?!

LIKE WHAT HAPPENED IN VRITAN-NIS?!

NOT JUST FOR US, BUT FOR ALL PEOPLE...

...THAT'S HOW IT'S BECOME ...

FIRE A CONTINUOUS VOLLEY FROM MAXIMUM RANGE! DON'T LET HER GET CLOSE!!

...WHEN THAT "WIND" BLEW THROUGH...

EVER SINCE THAT DAY...

ANY-WAY...

...THEY'LL LEARN NOT TO UNDERESTI-MATE ME.

OPEN ALL PORT-SIDE GUN PORTS!!

TO PORT !!

BRING US ABOUT ...

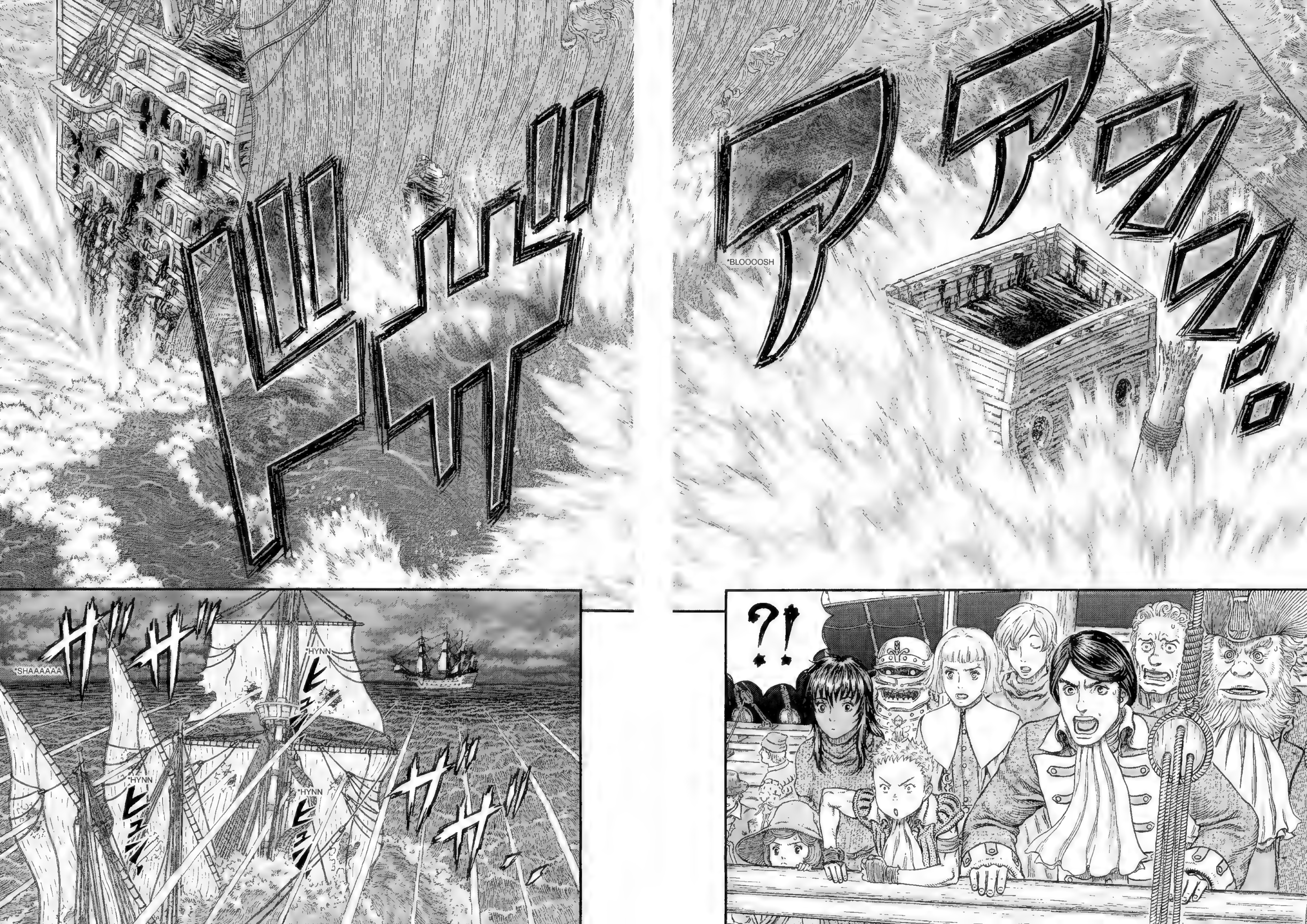
*WHOM

*SINK

*BOOM

*BOOM

BOOM


*BLOOOOSH
?!
*HYNN
*HYNN
*HYNN
*SHAAAAAA

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! IT AIN'T A FISH!

THE DAMN THING *DOVE* TO AVOID THE SHOTS!

NO!

DID YOU SINK HER ?!

YOU'RE RIGHT, THOSE AREN'T PEOPLE ABOARD THAT SHIP.

A GHOST SHIP.

*OMMM

IT'S LIKE SOME KIND OF LEGEND...

SORRY, BUT I MIGHT NEED YOUR HELP WITH THIS BATTLE AFTER ALL.

*STRETCH

LEAVE IT TO US! YOU'RE IN GOOD HANDS!

SWEET! WE FINALLY GET A TURN ?!

AWW, WHAT A PAIN

*WHAP

DEPENDING ON WHAT HAPPENS...

...WE MIGHT NEED OUR GUEST IN THE CABIN, TOO...

*CHAK

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GHOST SHIP, PART 2

•ZHM

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•OOOOSH

*BLOOOOSH

*TILT

*GREEEEE

THE ENEMY SHIP IS SURFACING TOWARDS THE SEA HORSE!!

OH, NO!! THEY'RE TRYING TO CAPSIZE US FROM BELOW!!

STAR-BOARD THE HELM!!

QUICK-LY!!

*FX: CLATA CLATA

*EEEEK

キャアア.

ガバ

*GRAB

*CLONG

*WHUMP

*WHAMMM

*WHAP WHAP

CRUSHED

SUFFOCATED

ALL HANDS, PREPARE FOR HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT!!

*GSHANNNG

*SHAAAAA

BE CARE-FUL.

PLEASE, DON'T ROCK THE BOAT ANY-MORE!

IS THERE NOBODY ON-BOARD ?

WHY AREN'T THEY ATTACK-ING?

IT'S AS IF THAT SHIP ITSELF IS SOME KIND OF DARK CREATURE...

I SENSE...

...A WICKED OD.

THERE BE A SHARP LASS!

YO HO HO

!

YOUR LORDSHIP RODERICK, THE SAILING PRINCE OF IITH.

WE MEET AT LAST...

...OF THIS HERE CAPTAIN SHARKRIDER.

WE ARE THE BONEBEARD PIRATE CLAN.

PLEASED TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAINT-ANCE.

I'M CAPTAIN BONEBEARD...

SOME OF YOU LOOK FAMILIAR...

AVAST! NOBODY'S ALLOWED TO SAY THAT! ...

IT'S THE DROWNING PIRATE I SANK!

MAYBE ?

DO YOU KNOW HIM?

WE SAW HIM AT THE HARBOR IN VRITANNIS!

OHH!

AH!

AHH!

AHH!!!

NOW I REMEMBER YOU LOT...!

HI THERE.

WITH TEARS IN OUR EYES, WE WENT BACK TO PIRATING, AND NOW TWO OF OUR PRIZED SHIPS HAVE SUNK...! EVERYTHING WAS GRAND UNTIL YOU MEDDLING KIDS ROBBED US OF OUR VERY WILL TO WORK!

かじ *GNAW かじ *GNAW

OF ALL PEOPLE, IT HAD TO BE *YOU* AGAIN?! YOU KNOW, THAT'S WHEN ALL THIS BAD LUCK STARTED. WE HAD QUIT PIRATING AND WERE WORKING HARD TO DO SOME HONEST BUSINESS, THEN YOU PILFERED OUR PRECIOUS CARGO...!

EVIL NEVER TRIUMPHS, IN THE END!!

I BET THEY'RE ALL LONELY INCOMPE-TENT BUMS. IT'S SAD...

WORKERS AIN'T WINNERS, THAT'S WHAT I SAY!

...

SHOULD A GROWNUP BE COMPLAININ' TO A KID?! THAT'S PATHETIC!

WHAT IS THAT, A *PIRATE* SHIP OR A *CRAB* SHIP?!

...WE RETIRED FROM THE BEIN' *HUMAN* BUSINESS, TOO.

IT DON'T END THERE, THOUGH.

TO TOP IT ALL OFF...

*DOOOOSH

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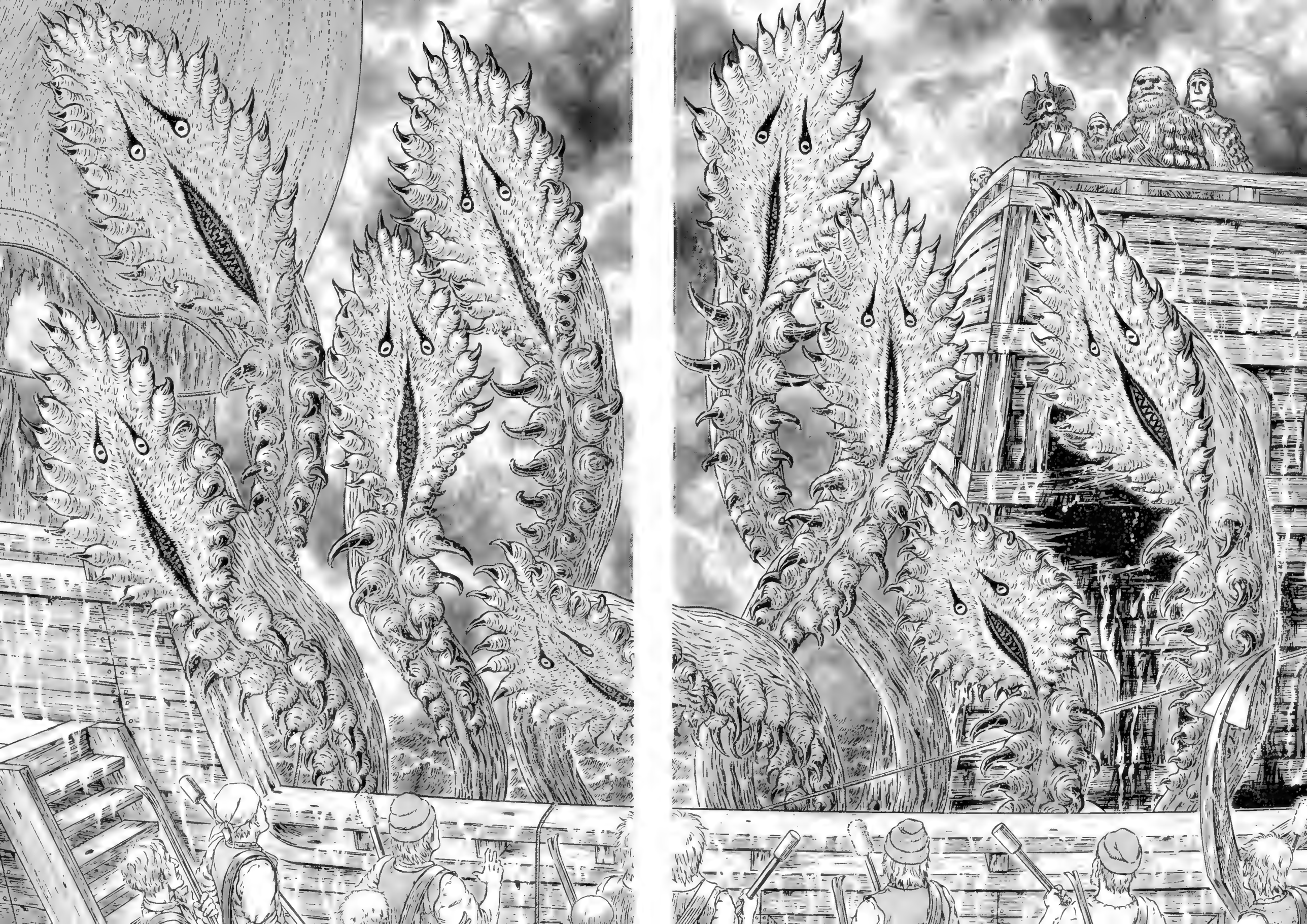


KSSSSH

DEVILS OF THE DEEP...!!

MON-STERS ...!

TH-THEY'RE REALLY HERE!!

UGH, SLIMY.

WHAT ARE THOSE ...?!

NOW WE'RE TALKIN'

THE SEA'S CRAZY !!

I HAD A FEELING SOMETHIN' WAS COMIN', BUT *LOOK* AT THOSE THINGS!!

HMMM! NO ONE TRULY KNOWS WHAT LIES IN THE OCEAN DEPTHS!

THESE ARE OUR NEW BRETHREN.

YARRR. WE MAY NOT BE HUMAN ANYMORE...

NEITHER OF US CAN EVER SNAG ENOUGH PREY!

...BUT IT TURNS OUT PIRATES AND MONSTERS KIND OF SEE EYE TO EYE!

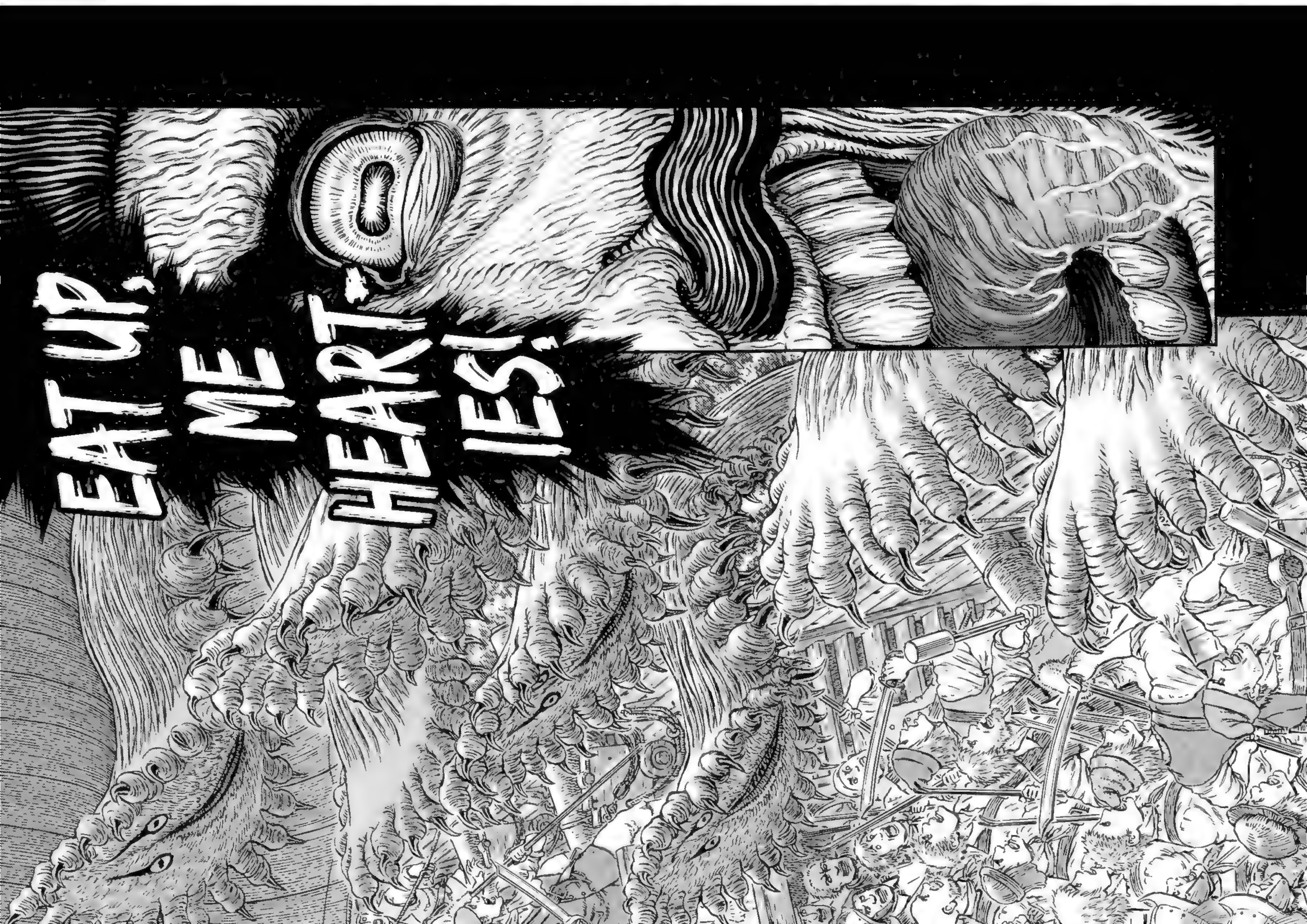
*SWOOP

*CHOMP

*GULP

*YANK

*GULP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HEART
IES!

KEEP YOUR MORALE STEADY !!

REMAIN CALM!!

FX: AUGHHHH

MEN OF THE SEA SURE ARE A LETDOWN!

I IMAGINE THEY ARE. YOU COULD SAIL ALL OVER THE WORLD AND NEVER ENCOUNTER SOMETHING LIKE THIS.

NO! THEY'RE IN A COMPLETE PANIC!

GHASTLY THINGS !!

IT TAKES REAL COMBAT TO UP YOUR SKILLS!

AND WE NEEDED SOME!

ANYWAY, WE'D BETTER REGROUP FAST!

IT WILL TAKE SOME TIME... TO FIGHT OFF THIS MANY!

*FX: GREE

*FX: GREE GREE

*FX: GREE

*AUGHHHH

*KRIK

.....

YO HO HO HO

WE'RE A GHOST SHIP, AND WE NEED LOTS OF NOURISHMENT! YOU CAN'T GET ANY WORK DONE IF YOU DON'T KEEP UP YOUR STRENGTH!!

AYE!! EAT UP EVERY LAST ONE OF 'EM!!

CHONK

*SHLLLAP

*FLAIL

*FLAIL

*FLUTTA

FIRST YOU NEED STRENGTH, TO WORK.

I AGREE.

*WHAM

I'M STARV-ING.

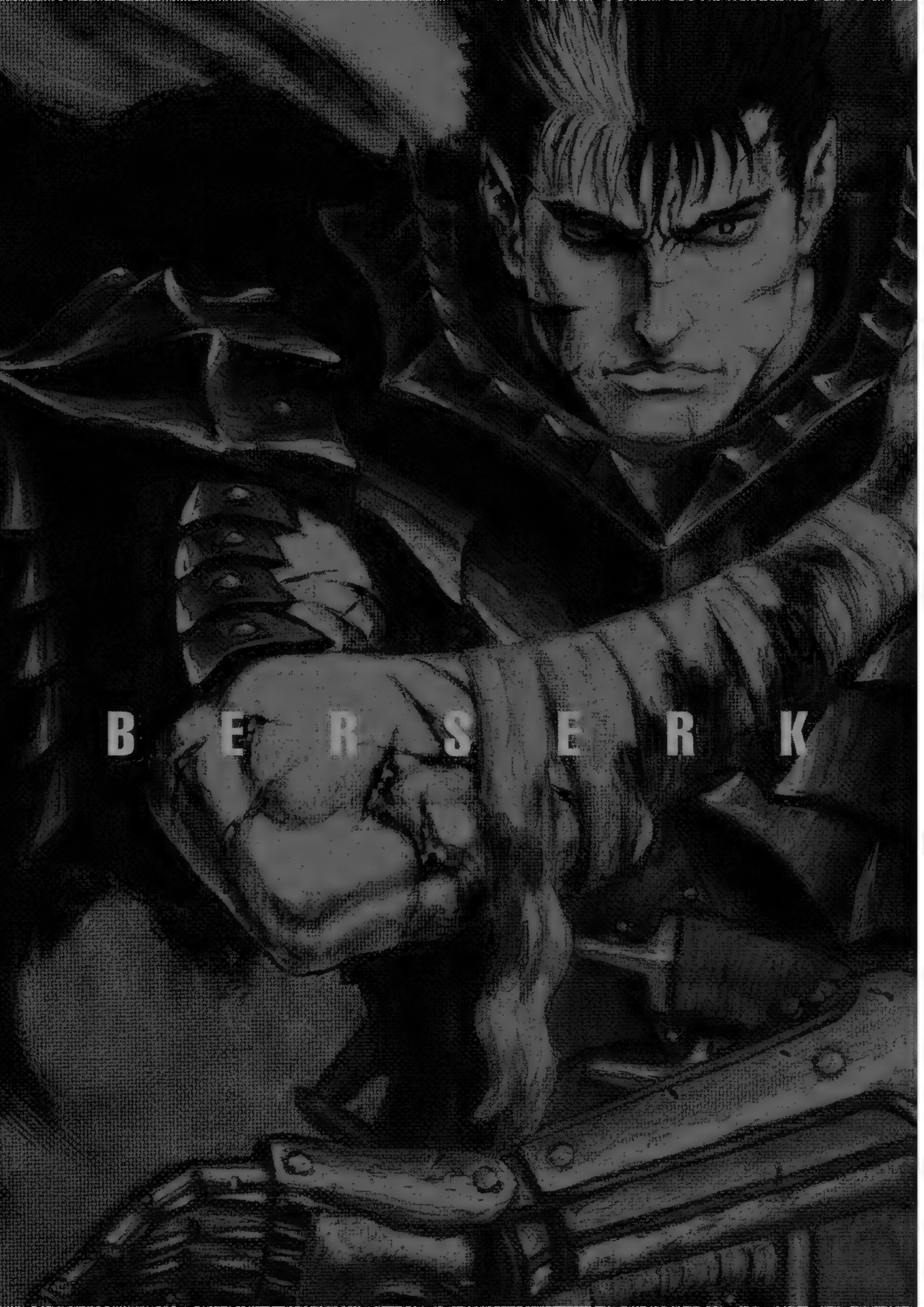
Y'KNOW WHAT ...?

AND YOU NEED FOOD FOR CONVALES-CENCE.

TELL ME...

ARE THESE THINGS *EDIBLE?*

*GULCH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GHOST SHIP, PART 3

YOU'RE LATE TO THE PARTY!

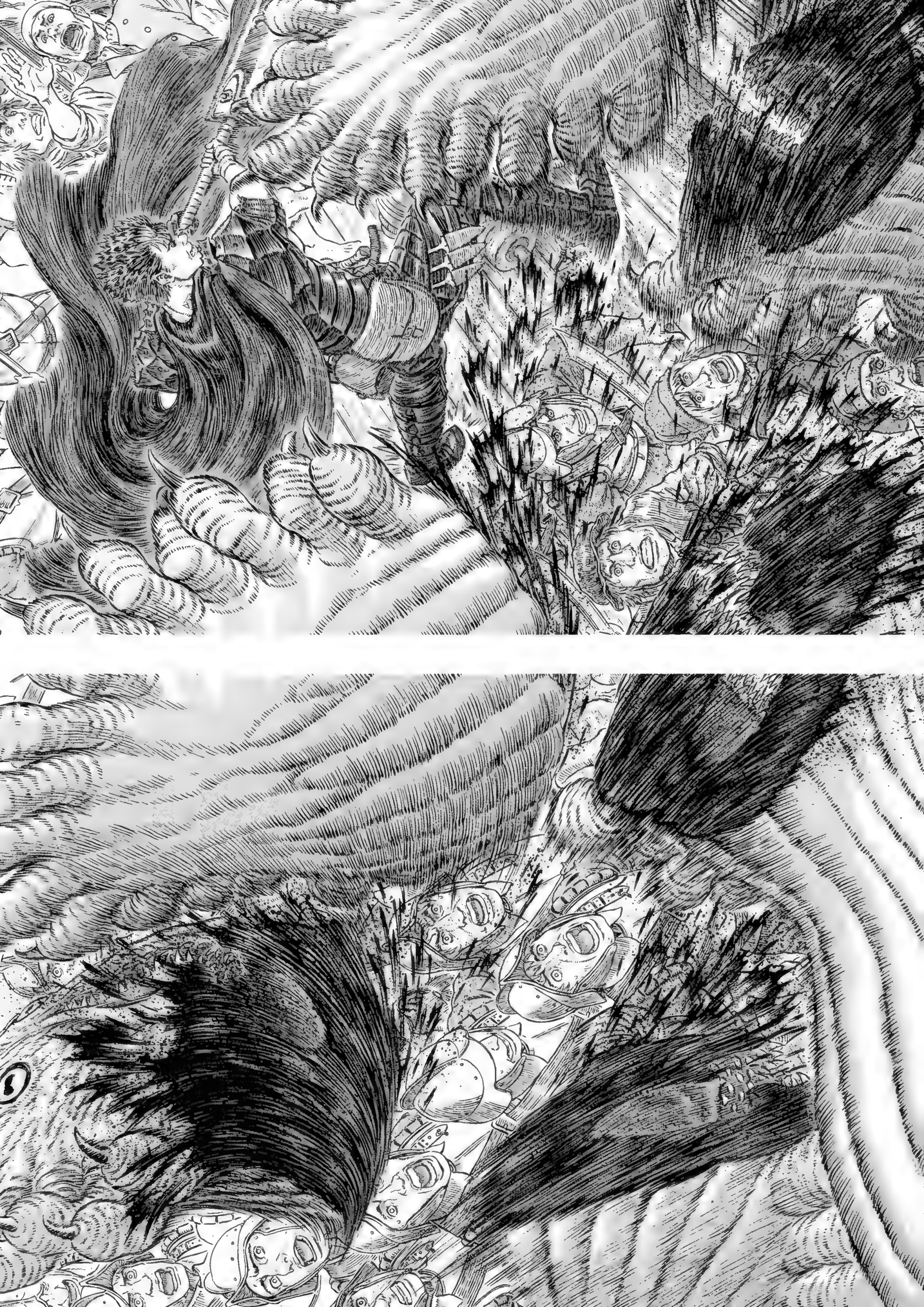
SON OF A BITCH, IT *TOOK* YOU LONG ENOUGH!

GUTS!

*FX: SSSS

*FX: SSSS

*ZHMMM



*VSHHHH

*FLAIL

*FLAIL

*YEEEE

*SHLAP

*FWAP

*KRAKT

IT'S MORE CRAMPED OUT HERE THAN I THOUGHT.

*FX: KRRNK

SORRY.

AND I'M ONLY HALF-AWAKE.

*CHAK

I MIGHT END UP BUSTING UP THIS SHIP.

WHOEVER DOESN'T WANNA DIE BETTER HIT THE DECK!

HEY!

HOW'S HIS SWORD SO *HUGE*?!

SH-SHIVER ME TIM-BERS!

WHO'S *THIS* DOG?!

HE KILLED SIX MON-STERS WITH ONLY TWO SWINGS ...!!

W-WOW!

AUGHHH

うわああ

*THUD

*THUD

*THUD

IS THAT REALLY THAT SAME GUY WHO WAS NEARLY SCORCHED TO DEATH?!

HE'S LIKE A WATER-SPOUT!

HE HACKED THOSE MONSTERS UP IN NO TIME!

LOOK HOW EASILY HE SWINGS THAT FREAKISHLY HUGE SWORD ...!

JUST DON'T MAKE THOSE THINGS TONIGHT'S DINNER, ALRIGHT?

TO SLAY THE MONSTERS AND SAVE THE PEOPLE TRULY IS CHIVALROUS.

...YOU KNOW HE IS!!

IF HE'S STILL RECOVERING, THEN YOUR BOSS REALLY IS INCREDIBLE.

THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE OUR MEAL. WHAT A SAD JOKE IT'D BE IF THEY ATE *US*.

GRRRR

HE HAD LOTSA STRESS BUILT UP, AND NOT ENOUGH SHOW TIME.

MEALTIME HAS ONLY JUST BEGUN! THIS HAS JUST BEEN THE HORS D'OEUVRES!

BUT NO!

...IS STAR-TIN' NOW !!

THE MAIN DISH...

UP UP

*DOOOSH

UWAHHH

うわああ

IT'S H-HUUUGE !! ....!!

THOSE THINGS THAT HAD YOU RUNNIN' TO AND FRO WERE ACTUALLY THIS CRITTER'S *WHISKERS!*

TOO BAD FOR YOU!

GAJAHHHH!

*VSHAP

*BWOOM

TAKE THIS!

*LUNGE

HE'S MAD ABOUT LOSIN' THOSE WHISKERS HE LOVED!!

*CHIK

*SHAAAF

*SPIN

*FX: RAHHHH

*BLOOOSH

*FX: GSSHHHH

OHH! A SPECIAL TECHNIQUE, EH?!

AWESOME!! CANNON SPIN SLASH!!

HE UTILIZED THE CANNON'S RECOIL ...!

NICE ...!

*CHING

LOOKS LIKE NOTHING'S GOTTEN RUSTY FROM THE SEA BREEZE.

BUT NO...! BUT NOOO!!

WE STILL HAVE A...

N-NOT BAD AT ALL!

I THINK WE'VE GOTTEN USED TO BEING BEATEN.

WHAT ?!

TOO LATE.

THESE GUYS ARE COMBAT PROS, TOO.

*GSHANNNG

THE CANNONS ON THE UPPER GUN DECK CAN'T ACHIEVE THE PROPER ANGLE OF FIRE!!

ALL GUNS ON THE MID AND LOWER DECKS, AIM DIRECTLY AHEAD!!

WE HAD PLENTY OF TIME TO REGROUP, THANKS TO YOU.

BDASSSSH

FIRE!!!

BERSERK

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孤島

SOLITARY ISLAND

*BOOM

*BOOM

*BOOM

*KRASSSH

BWOW!

QUIT IT!

SEA COMBAT SURE IS THE BOMB!!

WOOO!

FIRST I'M SEASICK, NOW I'M DEAF?!

ISN'T THAT WHAT YOU'RE HERE FOR IN THE FIRST PLACE?

LASHIN' THE DEAD, *THAT'S* WHAT YOU'RE DOIN'! I'LL *HAUNT* YOU!!

!

OOOOSH

DON'T BUST UP MY ALREADY BUSTED SHIP...!!

YARGH !! .....

SHIFT

LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE GONE AND MADE HIM MAD FOR REAL NOW!!

NOW YOUR LIVES ARE NOTHIN' MORE THAN CANDLES IN A STORM...!

DYAH HAH HAH... YOU GODDAMN FOOLS!!

BWUH ?!

NO, CAPTAIN! IT'S THE SUNRISE!

AH... H- HEY. HOLD ... WA- NO.

*SHAFFFF

SEE YOU--AH!

GLUB

*FX: PLASSSH

WELL THEN, GENTLEMEN. WE'LL SETTLE THIS NEXT TIME!

YO HO HO...

NOT ONLY IS HE PERSISTENT AS A SHARK, HE'S ABOUT AS SMART AS ONE.

YOU KNOW, I'D JUST AS SOON WE *DID* SETTLE IT.

*UOHHHHH

YOU'RE AN EXCEPTION !!

I'D HEARD SOLDIERS ON LAND WERE ALL COWARDS WHO RAN AT THE FIRST SIGN OF DANGER,

I NEVER REALIZED YOU WERE SUCH AN INSANELY GOOD SWORDSMAN!

YOU'RE *INCREDIBLE!!*

OHO.

WELL, MORE OR LESS. DESPITE OUR INTEN-TIONS.

WHAT A MONKEY. A SEA MONKEY.

YOU KNOW IT!

だっ!

*POUNCE!

I MEAN, WE'VE BEEN WANDERIN' AROUND FIGHTIN' NOTHIN' *BUT* MONSTERS LIKE THOSE! WE'RE MONSTER-HUNTIN' PROS!

PROS!!

JUST THINK OF THIS AS PAYING FOR OUR RIDE.

*HYNN

*HYNN

LOOKS LIKE I'M IN YOUR DEBT AGAIN.

THERE'S BEEN SOMETHING ODD ABOUT THE SEA EVER SINCE THAT STRANGE WIND BLEW THROUGH.

.....

BUT WHY DID THEY TURN INTO A GHOST SHIP? I'M PRETTY SURE LAST TIME, THEY WERE *REGULAR* PIRATES.

WHAT IS IT?

CAPTAIN, I HAVE A REPORT!

AND THEY EVEN HAD THOSE MONSTERS WITH THEM.

THAT WAS JUST A FEW DAYS AGO...

AND SUPPORT BEAMS!

GO FETCH SOME MORE WOOD SCRAPS!

THAT SEA-SLUG BASTARD SURE DID A NUMBER ON US.

THERE APPEAR TO BE MULTIPLE LEAKS. TEMPORARY REPAIRS MAY NOT HOLD THROUGH ANOTHER BATTLE...

NUMBER ONE...

ISN'T THERE AN ISLAND NEAR HERE?

I BELIEVE SO.

IT'S SMALL, AND JUST HAS ONE RUN-DOWN SEAPORT.

WE'LL STOP THERE FOR INSPECTION AND REPAIRS.

*KEEERN

I"

*KEEERN

I"

*BLASSSSH

*FX: THMP

GROUND ...

WE HAVEN'T SET FOOT ON DRY LAND IN A WHILE!!

WOOP.

.....

THIS ISLAND'S KINDA GLOOMY AND MEH.

SOME-THING...

ISN'T RIGHT ...

WHAT'S WRONG ?

...KINDA FUNNY EVER SINCE THAT WIND.

THIS THING'S BEEN ACTIN'...

DON'T YOU SENSE ANY-THING, GUTS?

... HMM.

WELL, ABOUT THAT.

UM... IS THERE SOMETHING ON THIS ISLAND ?

...I THOUGHT SO.

IT'S LIKE A WOUND THAT WON'T CLOSE...

WELL, I THINK I'LL KNOW IF ANYTHING OBVIOUS GETS CLOSE TO US.

LIKE IT'S GOTTEN TOO SENSITIVE, SO NOW IT JUST FEELS NUMB INSTEAD.

...BUT THE ENTIRE ISLAND SEEMS TO BE ENSHROUDED BY AN OMINOUS OD.

IT'S PROBABLY BEST NOT TO GO INLAND...

I DO NOT KNOW ANYTHING FOR CERTAIN...

HEY! LET'S HURRY TO THE INN FOR SOME FOOD.

IT CAN'T BE HELPED. LET'S JUST DO OUR BEST NOT TO GET SEPARATED.

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I'M SORRY, BUT REPAIRING THE SHIP WILL TAKE SOME TIME. WE'LL DEPART TOMORROW MORNING.

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THOSE SCATTER-BRAINED BUFFOONS!

OH. LOOKS LIKE I WAS A BEAT TOO LATE.

FIFTEEN MEN ON A DEAD MAN'S CHEST~ ♪

... WHAT A PAIN.

DON'T WORRY!

WHAT DOES THAT EVEN MEAN?!

I'LL USE THOUGHT TRANS-FERENCE IF ANYTHING HAPPENS!

HEY, YOU TWO!

BOYS, ISLANDS, AND EXPLORATION ARE LIKE A TRINITY! NOBODY CAN STOP IT!

BUHAHH BUHAHH

MADE IT...

KEEERN

KEEERN

...OH.

HUH?

TEAM MEMBER DROPEY.

LOOK ...

WHAT A DINKY LITTLE ISLAND.

YOU COULD GET ALL THE WAY AROUND BEFORE YOU KNEW IT.

WHAT GIVES ?

I CAN SEE THE WHOLE DAMN *THING* FROM HERE.

MHM

ZHAAA

...

WE-HAVE-ARRIVED!!

WEDNESDAY SPECIAL

MYSTERIOUS GIGANTIC CAVE DISCOVERED ON A SOLITARY ISLAND IN THE REMOTE SEAS!

I WOULDN'T DO THAT!

LOOK FOR HANDY PIECES OF WOOD! DRY ONES!

I'VE GOT SOME KELP

NOW TO MAKE A TORCH!

OKAY!

第1話 漂着

BLOOOSHA

YOU SHOULDN'T GO NEAR IT.

THAT CAVE'S BAD NEWS.

*THAP

WHO'RE ...

...YOU ?

...

NATIVE SPOTTED.

!

*TMP

*TMP

*TMP

AWESOME!

HI.

HEY, IS THAT AN ELF?

*TNK

THAT'S WHAT EVERYBODY SAYS.

MORE LIKE, HE'S A SMARTASS.

I'VE NEVER SEEN ONE HERE ON THE ISLAND.

WOW, HE'S SO CUTE. ♡

HER FACE AIN'T DOWN THERE.

THAT MIGHT NOT BE TOO ODD, ON A REMOTE ISLAND LIKE THIS.

Y-YOU CAN SEE HIM?

...ON THAT SHIP.

YOU MUST...

...HAVE SAILED HERE...

THERE'S AN OLD LEGEND ABOUT IT.

WHY, ARE THERE MONSTERS OR SOMETHIN'?

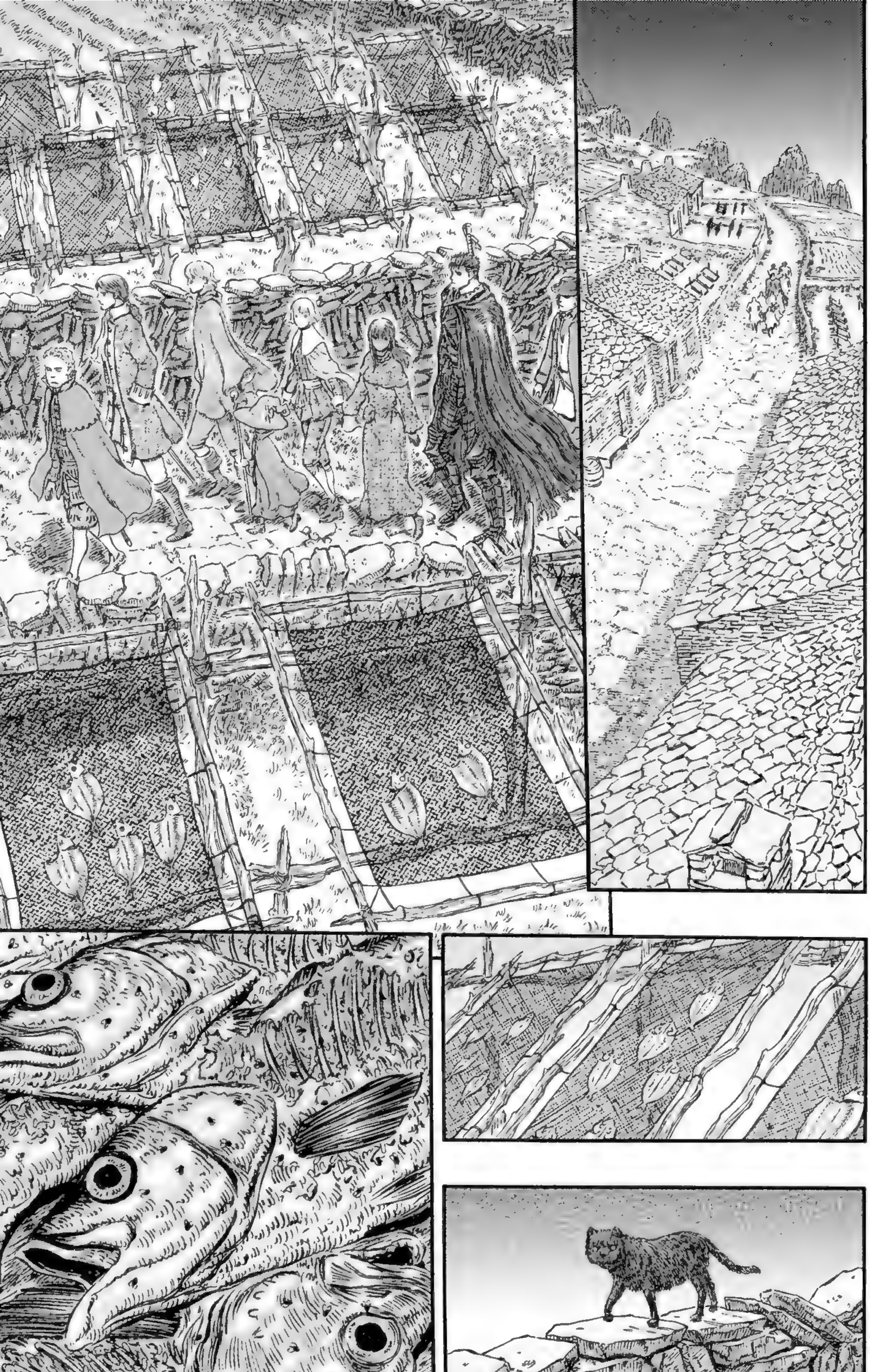
THEN NO WONDER YOU DON'T KNOW.

BUT STILL, KEEP OUT.

THE PEOPLE OF THIS ISLAND CONSIDER IT TABOO TO GO IN THERE.

IT'S WHERE ...

...THE SEA GOD LIVES.



I WAS HOPING TO GET SOME FOOD AND SUPPLIES... BUT I GUESS NOT.

WHAT A RUSTIC FISHING VILLAGE.

IT SMELLS LIKE FISH...

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MY...

BESIDES, AS AN OFFICER OF IITH, IT'S MY VERY IMPORTANT DUTY TO ESCORT THE LADIES DURING THEIR TIRING AND UNFAMILIAR SEA VOYAGE.

DON'T WORRY, MY FIRST MATE CAN HANDLE ALL THAT.

IS IT ALRIGHT FOR THE CAPTAIN TO BE AWAY FROM HIS SHIP AT SUCH A HECTIC TIME?

*FX: MEOW

*FX: GREEE

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*FX: BTAM

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YOU THERE, IS THERE AN INN OR A TAVERN HERE IN...?

FOR NOW, LET'S RELAX AND EAT SOME-THING...

TALK ABOUT SHY.

OR CREEPY. ALWAYS IS, IN THE STICKS.

*BTAM

バタン

*FX: CLATA CLATA

カラカラ

DEAR ME.

WELL?

...

...IS COVERING THE ENTIRE VILLAGE...

IT IS LIKE SOME FAINT, VAGUE OD...

I STILL CANNOT SAY WITH ANY CERTAINTY.

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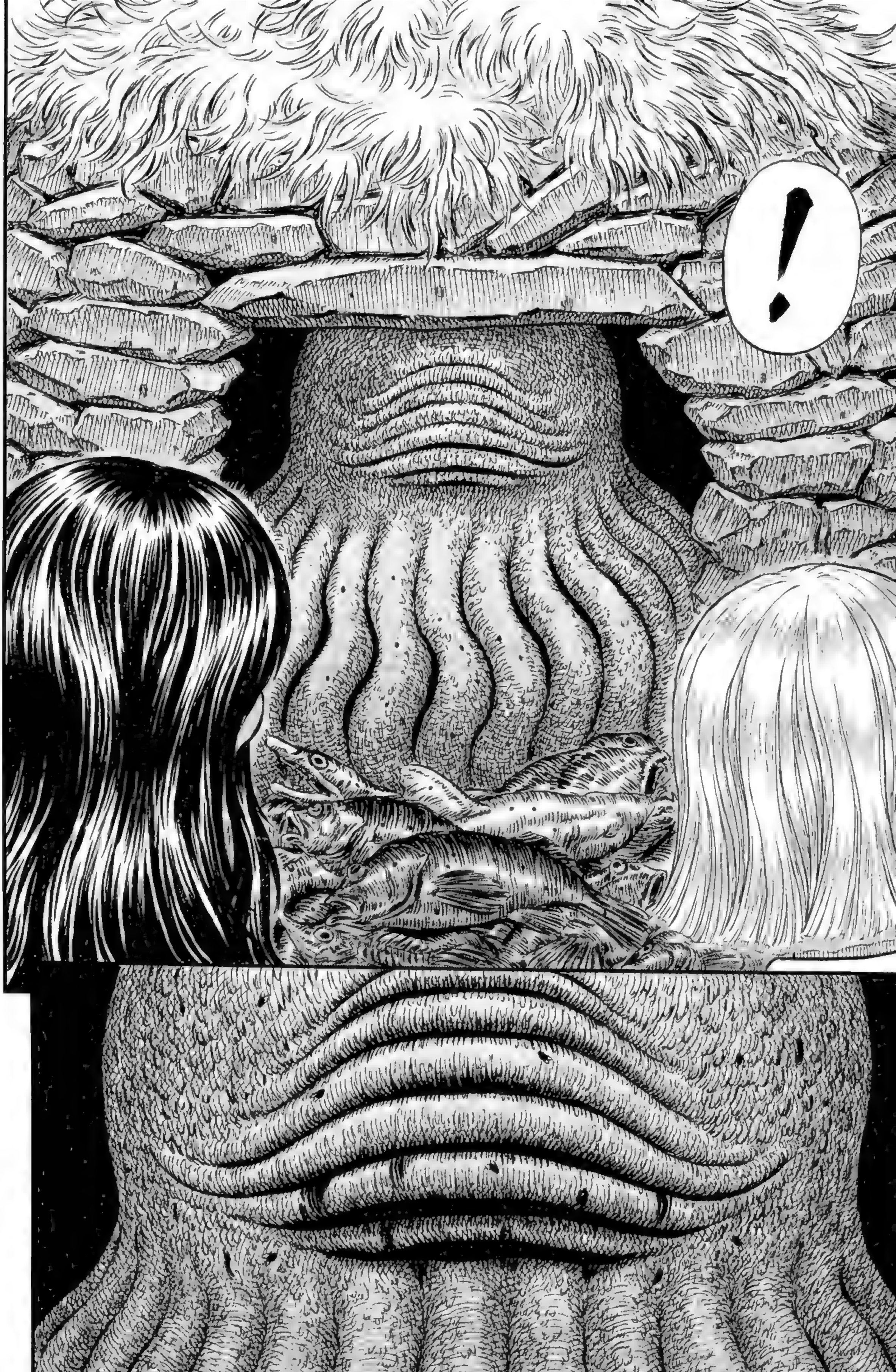
CASCA!

HEY!



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GIRL OF THE ROARING TORRENT

*SHAAAA

*DOOOOSH

SEA GOD...?

S...

...THAT SINKS SHIPS AND EATS PEOPLE.

THAT'S WHAT IT'S CALLED, BUT IT'S A SINISTER, DREADFUL GOD...

...LEGEND'S REAL OR NOT !!

ROLL CAMERA!

WEDNESDAY SPECIAL

I GOTTA GO SEE IF THAT...

SUDDENLY I *REALLY* WANNA GO IN THERE !!

UH, WAIT.

*SPIN

HEHEH ...

HEH...

THAT JUST MAKES IT ALL THE MORE INTEREST-IN'.

YOU'LL GET CURSED.

*SPLASH

PWAH...!

*OOOOSH

DOOOOSH

...IF I'M AFRAID OF *CURSES* ?!

HIROSHI FUJIOKA, THIS TIME

HOW CAN I *EXPLORE* ...

THERE'S SOMETHIN' IN THERE.

*SWING ぶち

*SWING ぶち

PURIFY!

EXORCISE! MY HEAD'S BLEEDIN'.

"BAD NEWS" IS RIGHT.

UH, WATCH YOUR FOOTING.

ごち.

*FX: WHOCK

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*FX: SLIP

*FX: FALL

...MAN.

OH WELL, WHAT-EVER.

AH-CHOO!

*BLEED

MY HOUSE IS CLOSE BY.

I'LL PATCH YOU UP.

COME ON.

*SSSS

THIS IS RATHER EERIE.

THOUGH A BIT INTRIGUING, TOO.

WHAT AN ODD STATUE.

IT IS A STATUE OF AN ANCIENT GOD.

THIS IS VERY OLD...

ANCIENT GOD?

STOP THAT!

...WERE FORGOTTEN AND FADED INTO THE DEPTHS OF THE ASTRAL WORLD.

THE OLD TRADITIONS MUST HAVE STILL BEEN PASSED DOWN HERE ON THIS ISOLATED ISLAND.

AS THE DOCTRINE OF YOUR RELIGION SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD...

...THE ANCIENT GODS...

.....

IT'S CERTAINLY NOT AS REFINED OR AS BEAUTIFUL AS *OUR* GOD AND ANGELS.

A GOD, EH?

IT SMELLS.

IT'S OCTOGOD.

IT'S AN OCTO-PUS.

MIS-TRESS.

EVERYONE ELSE, GO ON AHEAD TO THE INN.

I'M GOING TO WALK AROUND THE ISLAND A BIT.

I APPRECIATE THAT...

I CAN SPARE SOME OF MY OFFICERS AS GUARDS...

IT'S POSSIBLE THERE'S SOME-THING *ON* THIS ISLAND ...

THAT'S WHAT I WILL GO DETER-MINE.

ISN'T IT DANGEROUS TO GO OFF ALONE?

...THAN I AM IN A CITY.

I AM FAR SAFER HERE...

...BUT THERE IS NO NEED FOR CONCERN.

WHAT *KIND* OF SOMETHING? MORE MONSTERS?!

WE'LL BE IN BIGGER TROUBLE THAN THEM IF SOMETHING HAPPENS AND WE LACK THEIR HELP.

IS IT OKAY THAT BOTH OF THE CHILDREN ARE WANDERING AROUND?

THANKS, I MEAN IT.

THA'S WARM.

WHEWW

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*FX: SNFFFFF

THIS'S SOME WEIRD FIRE-WOOD.

WHAT IS IT?

IT'S PEAT.

IT'S GRASS BURIED IN MUD THAT THE COLD KEEPS FROM ROTTING COM-PLETELY.

NO TREES BIG ENOUGH TO YIELD FIREWOOD GROW ON THIS ISLAND.

IT'S OKAY, IT'S NO BIG DEAL.

NOW LET ME SEE YOUR INJURY.

YOU'LL GET BARNACLES UP INSIDE YA IF IT'S NOT TREATED RIGHT...

*SHIVER

THAT'S KINDA SURREAL.

*OOZE

...

WOW, THAT'S A HECK OF A CUT.

HOLD STILL.

STOP ONE GUSHER, AND TWO MORE FORM.

I BELIEVE I'LL LEAVE THIS TO YOU.

...

*FX: SPURT SPURT

MY... ...NAME'S ISIDRO.

THANKS.

I'M PUCK.

MEDICINE WITH SEAWEED COOKED INTO IT WORKS WONDERS.

TH—

NICE TO MEET YOU.

I'M *ISMA.*

ABOUT THE OUTSIDE WORLD !

THEN TELL ME ALL ABOUT YOUR TRAVELS!

SO DO YOU GUYS HAVE TO HEAD BACK SOON?

NAH, WE LEAVE TOMOR-ROW...

THEN, HEY! HAVE DINNER WITH ME!

THEN ...!

...OH RIGHT, THERE'S MY COOK-POT!

WAIT! I'LL GET DINNER READY...

...I MEAN, NO.

OKAY! GO AHEAD AND START...!

SURE, I GUESS ...

YEAH !!

MAYBE EVEN ON PAR WITH YOU.

SHE SURE IS EXCIT-ABLE.

I WAS HARDLY ABLE TO KEEP ANYTHING DOWN ON THE SHIP.

I SAY, NOW I CAN FINALLY EAT A MEAL IN PEACE.

STILL, THOUGH...

I LIKE IT. IT'S FASCINATING, LIKE BEING AT THE BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN.

AND IT SMELLS LIKE FISH.

I REALIZE THIS IS THE ONLY INN OR TAVERN IN THE VILLAGE, BUT IT'S JUST SO EERIE AND TASTELESS...

*FX: KRRNCH KRRNCH

*FX: KRRNCH KRRNCH

SORRY, SIRS. BUT PLEASE SERVE YOURSELVES. I NEED TO GET SOME INGREDIENTS FROM THE BACK ROOM.

IT'S OKAY, I'LL GET IT.

HELL! WE WERE GOING TO STAY THE NIGHT HERE, TOO! TALK ABOUT POOR SERVICE.

*FX: SHFF

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*BLASSSSH

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SCHIERKE, LOOK...!

!

I'M RESPONSIBLE FOR YOU...

FORGET THAT! I'M GOIN' TOO!

FEEL FREE TO WAIT OUTSIDE, IVALERA.

YOU'RE NOT GOIN' IN THERE, ARE YA? IT'S ALL DAMP AND NASTY...

THIS SEEMS TO BE THE HEART OF THE DISQUIETING OD COVERING THE ISLAND.

THIS IS...

THE MON-KEY'S ...!

*SSSS

OH, NO...

ISIDRO ...!

-TNK

?!

*CHOOOSH

*SWAY

*KSSSSH

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THESE ARE...

...FROM THE GHOST SHIP...!!

...SUPPOSE THESE THINGS *ATE* THOSE GUYS?

YOU DON'T...

...!!

...ISIDRO.

*FX: ZHMMM

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...BUT AREN'T THESE A LITTLE SMALLER?

THEY'RE JUST AS GROSS, THOUGH.

BUT THEY ARE DEFINITELY THE SAME TYPE OF CREATURES AS BEFORE.

...WHA ?!

NO...!

SCHIERKE !

*LUNGE

*WRAP

THAT'S INCREDIBLE !!

WHAT HAPPENED NEXT !?!

THEN WHAT?! THEN WHAT?!

UH, NEXT, I, UH...

THEN, WHAM! I SLASHED IT RIGHT ON ITS SIDE...!

I GOT IN CLOSE TO IT RIGHT WHEN IT FIRED THE BOLT! THEN I EVADED THE AXE IT SWUNG DOWN AT ME...

REEL IN THOSE EYES, SON.

HUH.

WOWWW.

THAT'S AMAZING ...

THAT REALLY *HAP-PENED* ...?

THAT WAS THE END OF THE GIANT BOSS TROLL!

THEN I SHIFTED BACK AROUND AND FINISHED IT OFF WITH A MAGIC DAGGER TO THE FLANK!

WAIT... WHAT ?!

ALL I'VE GOT'S THE SCAB-BARD ?!

AH, CRAP! DID I DROP IT SOMEWHERE ?!

...I'LL JUST HAVE TO PROVE IT BY SHOWIN' IT TO YA!

FINE! IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME...

I BELIEVE YOU.

I WASN'T JUST BRAG-GIN'...!

YOU JUST EXAGGER-ATED A LITTLE.

H-HOLD ON A MINUTE!

I BELIEVE YOU!

THE OUTSIDE WORLD'S A WILD PLACE.

YOU'VE GOT AN ELF WITH YOU! IT ONLY MAKES SENSE IF YOU'VE HAD ALL THOSE ADVENTURES!

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EEEEEEEK

*SWAYYY

MIGHT THIS BE WHAT YOU SEEK?

*SPURT

WHAT KINDA SEAWEED ARE YOU?!

HERE.

*THRUST

CARE-FUL!

WHOA!

THIS IS A RARE ITEM. YOU REALLY NEED TO BE MORE RESPONSIBLE WITH IT.

YOU'RE EVEN SCARIER THAN USUAL!!

WH- WHAT'S UP?! WHAT HAPPENED?!

FOR THE RECORD, IT'S ALL HIS FAULT!

I JUST HAD A HORRIBLE TIME THANKS TO *SOME-BODY!*

THAT'S RIGHT! THOSE WERE SOME NAUGHTY TENTACLES!

...AHH

*CHOO

GOT 'EM!

OH.

IS THAT THE DAGGER ?!

...WELL THANKS.

WHAT'S GOIN' ON?! YOU'RE ON DRY LAND, BUT YOUR FACE LOOKS LIKE A DEEP-SEA FISH!

YOU LOOK LIKE YOU GOT HIT BY THE SAME WAVE THAT HIT HIM.

DON'T BY SHY, COME IN AND GET WARMED UP!

*GRAB

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YOU TWO MUST BE ISIDRO'S FRIENDS, RIGHT?

*SSSMM

*FWOM

THIS GIRL, SHE'S...

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DENIZENS OF THE SINISTER SEA

YOU'RE THE WITCH ISIDRO SAID WAS ONE OF HIS COMPANIONS.

MY NAME IS *SCHIERKE.*

I'M *IVALERA.*

OKAY, I SEE NOW.

I HAD JUST BEEN LISTENING TO TALES OF THE GREAT ISIDRO'S ADVENTURES!

"THE GREAT ISIDRO."

COULD YOU TELL ME YOURS, TOO?!

I BEG YOUR PARDON, BUT BEFORE THAT...

...COULD YOU TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF AND THIS ISLAND?

ABOUT ME?

EAT AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE! OF COURSE, IT'S JUST POTATO, FISH, AND SEAWEED SOUP!

TODAY'S BEEN AMAZING! I'VE NEVER HAD ELVES OR WITCHES AS GUESTS HERE BEFORE!

TH-THANKS... DON'T MIND IF I DO.

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*WHOCK

I'M JUST A FISHERMAN...

...AND THIS ISLAND'S NOTHING SPECIAL.

I COULD...

BUT I BET IT'D BE BORING.

I BEG TO DIFFER.

PLEASE.

THERE ISN'T ENOUGH FOOD OR WATER TO BE OF USE TO LARGE SHIPS, SO THE ONLY OUTSIDERS WE EVER SEE ARE THOSE FROM THE OCCASIONAL DAMAGED SHIP, LIKE YOURS.

THIS ISLAND'S ISOLATED FROM BOTH SEA ROUTES AND ANY OTHER LAND.

AND THE VILLAGERS DON'T LIKE STRANGERS...

THERE'S JUST THE ONE LITTLE RUSTIC FISHING VILLAGE...

AND I CAN'T STAND THEM!

THEY'RE ALL GLOOMY AND CROOKED...

...VILLAGE OUTCAST.

I'M THE...

IS THAT WHY YOU LIVE OVER HERE ALONE, ISMA?

I WOULDN'T LIVE WITH THAT ROTTEN FISH-EYED BUNCH EVEN IF THEY ASKED!

MORE OR LESS!

WELL ...

THERE'S THAT...

BUT THERE'S ANOTHER REASON ...

OUT-CAST ...?

HEHEH ...

BECAUSE THEY'RE ...

... SCARED OF ME.

HEY ...

WHY ?!

YOU SEE...

...I'M A *MERROW.*

A MERROW ...?

THAT WAS JUST A JOKE ?

DID I GETCHA GOOD ?!

JUST KIDDING! JUST KIDDING! DID YOU THINK I WAS SERIOUS?!

*PUH

*AHAHAH

YOU'LL HAVE TO FORGIVE ME!

I GUESS I JUST WANTED TO THINK OF MYSELF ALONG-SIDE WITCHES AND ELVES!

*NGYOHH

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*FWMP

IS THAT EVEN RIGHT ?

...

...USED TO BE WITH ONE.

MY DEAD PA...

BUT IT'S TRUE THAT A MERROW IS WHY I'M AN OUTCAST.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

MY MA WAS ALREADY GONE BEFORE I CAN EVEN REMEMBER.

I SWIM AS WELL AS A MERROW...

...BUT I COULD SOAK IN THE SEA ALL DAY AND MY LEGS WON'T TURN INTO A TAIL FIN.

SORRY TO DISAPPOINT. I'M HUMAN.

*FX: FWAP FWAP

YOU REALLY ARE A...?

S-SO DOES THAT MEAN ...

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PA WOULD NEVER TALK ABOUT HER...

...AND BY OVERHEARING THE GOSSIP THE GROWN-UPS WOULD SPREAD.

BUT I KIND OF FIGURED IT OUT BY WRINGING INFO OUT OF THE DAMN KIDS WHO'D TEASE ME...

...HE SAID SOMEDAY, MY MA WOULD COME FOR ME.

AS HE WAS DYING...

FOUR YEARS AGO, A STORM CAPSIZED MY PA'S BOAT...

SO ARE THE TURTLE AND SEA SHELLS SURROUNDING THE HOUSE. HE SAID THEY'RE THERE TO KEEP AWAY EVIL.

HE SAID THE DECORATION ON OUR HOUSE'S DOOR WAS A MERROW CHARM MA MADE LONG AGO.

...WHICH MEANS MERROWS MIGHT EXIST TOO, RIGHT?!

BUT, HEY! HERE YOU ARE IN FRONT OF ME, WITH ELVES!

*FX: POINT

*FX: FWAP

I'M NOT EVEN SURE I BELIEVE ALL THAT STUFF...

BUT I'VE NEVER ONCE SEEN A MERROW.

EITHER WAY, I GOT BUSY JUST LIVING FROM DAY TO DAY, AND NONE OF IT SEEMED IMPORTANT ANYMORE ...

WHY IS IT LIKE THIS?

STILL ...

WHY WOULD THE PEOPLE HERE DETEST THEM?

AND I HAVE HEARD THEIR KIND ARE AMICABLE WITH HUMANS. THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO BE GOOD OMENS FOR FISHERMEN...

AREN'T MERROWS SPIRITS OF THE SEA?

...OLD SEA-GOD LEGEND.

THAT'S BECAUSE OF THIS ISLAND'S...

IT ATTACKED SHIPS...

ATE PEOPLE...

AND CONSUMED ALL THE FISH.

A REALLY LONG TIME AGO, A TERRIBLE SEA GOD RAMPAGED THROUGHOUT THE SEA AROUND HERE.

IT WAS TURNING INTO A SEA OF DEATH, WITH NO LIVING THINGS IN IT.

BUT THE SEA GOD IS VERY POWERFUL.

AND AS THE FULL MOON APPROACHES, IT STRETCHES ITS LONG LIMBS FROM THE ISLAND CAVE.

THEY SAY IT ATTACKS THIS ISLAND'S FISHERMEN AND SHIPS THAT HAPPEN TO BE PASSING NEARBY.

THE MERROWS FINALLY CONFINED THE SEA GOD TO THIS ISLAND.

THE WAR WAS OVER, AND THE MERROWS LEFT.

THEN FISH RETURNED TO THE SEA.

A TRIBE OF MERROWS DECIDED THEY HAD TO CHALLENGE THE SEA GOD TO WAR.

IT LASTED A VERY LONG TIME...

AND THEY LOST MANY OF THEIR KIN.

...SO THEY RESENT THE MERROWS, EVEN THOUGH THEY SUPPOSEDLY BENEFITED FROM THEM.

THEY'RE SOME STINGY CREEPS!

THE ISLANDERS ARE AFRAID OF AROUSING ITS ANGER...

YES...

SO IS THAT SEA GOD...?

THERE HASN'T BEEN A SOUL AT THE DOCKS. IT'S LIKE THEY'RE ALL SHUT UP INDOORS.

IT LOOKS LIKE THE VILLAGERS HAVEN'T BEEN OUT FISHING AT ALL.

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BUT LATELY, THE ISLAND HAS SEEMED STRANGE.

LOOKED MORE LIKE FISH EYES.

THEY KINDA DIDN'T LOOK HUMAN...

I SAW SOME OF THEM STARING AT ME THROUGH A WINDOW CRACK WHEN I HAPPENED TO PASS BY...

...CREEPING SOUNDS COMING FROM THE SEA GOD'S CAVE.

SOME-TIMES I ALSO HEAR...

IT'S NOT JUST THE ISLAND.

I ALSO...

...SENSE STRANGE PRESENCES...

AND HEAR VOICES IN THE SEA.

...I MET YOU GUYS. THE END!

AND THEN...

WIND ...

...IT'S LIKE THE WORLD'S GONE ALL BIZARRE EVER SINCE THAT STRANGE WIND BLEW THROUGH.

HOW DID YOU EVER MAKE IT AS A TRADER, WITH YOUR CONSTITUTION ?

THAT WAS SOME MEAGER FOOD, BUT I DON'T ASK FOR MUCH RIGHT NOW. ALL I NEED'S A NIGHT OF SOUND SLEEP IN A BED THAT DOESN'T MOVE, AND I'LL HAVE NO COMPLAINTS.

MY SENTI-MENTS EXACTLY.

THE MAN IN CHARGE SITS IN ONE PLACE AND RUNS THE SHOW!

SH-SHUT UP! IT'S MY SUBORDI-NATES' JOB TO RUN ALL AROUND THE WORLD!

*FX: POKE

*FX: KREEE

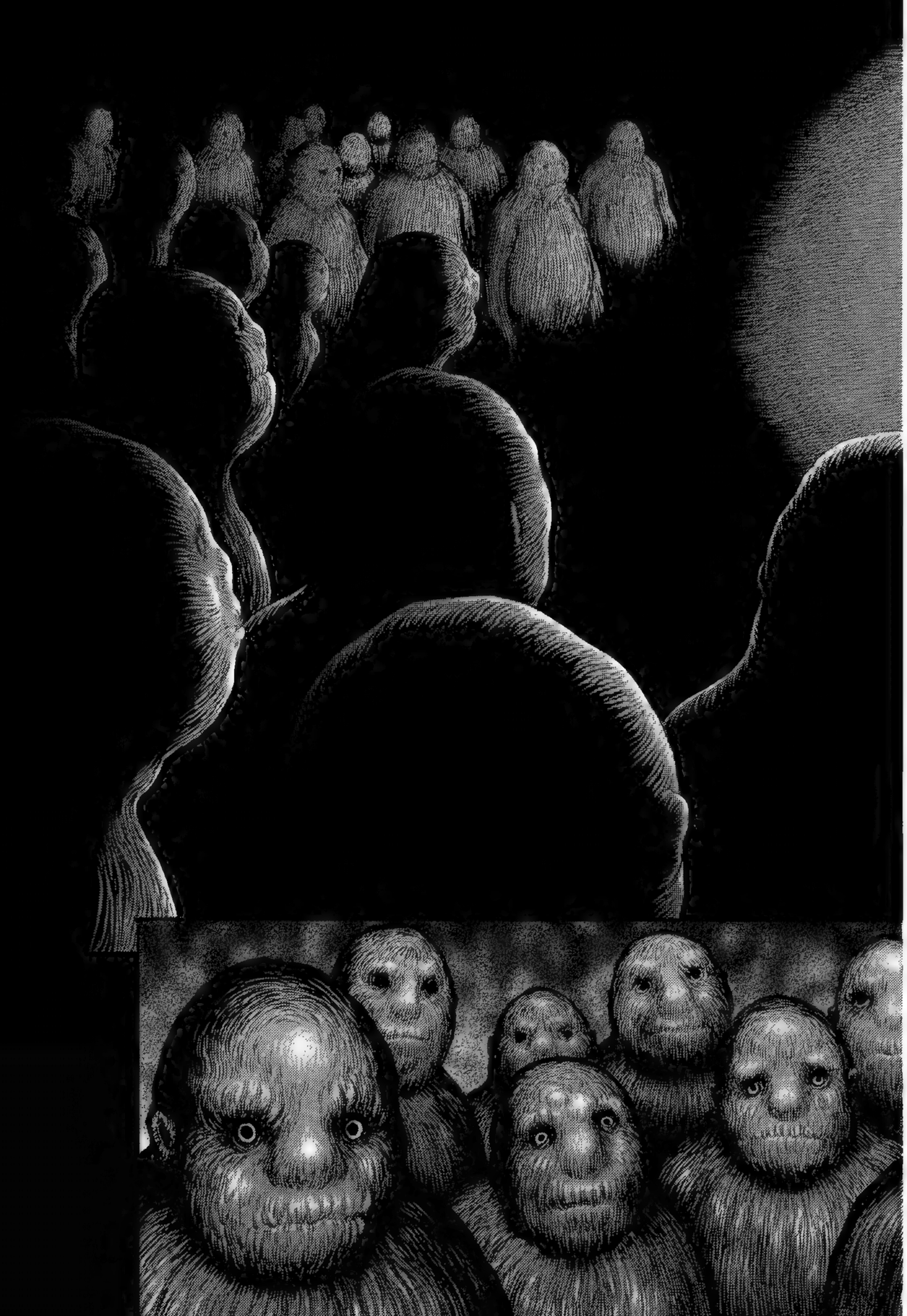
...HM ?

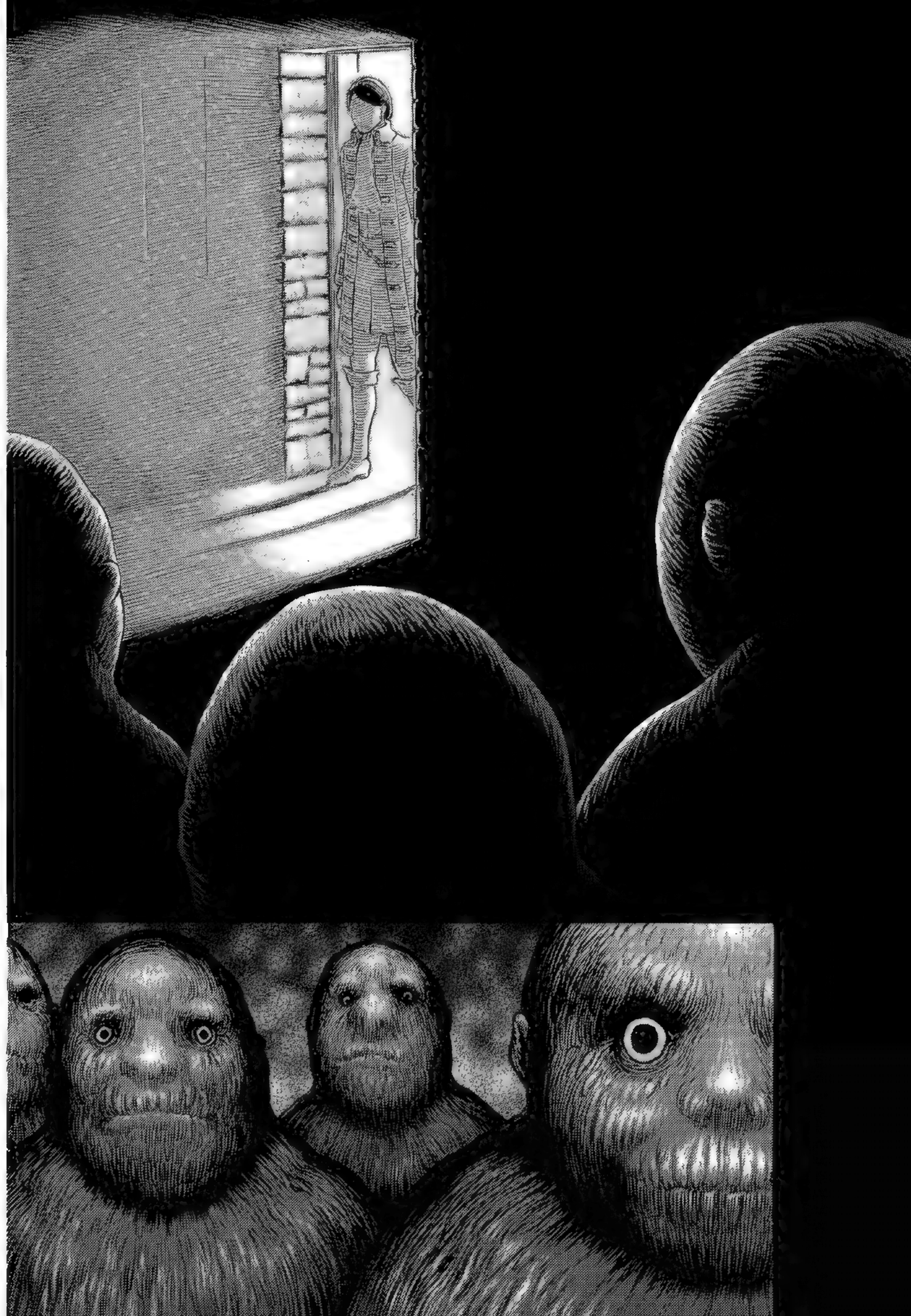
THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HARD WORK.

IN THE AFTERNOON WORKS, TOO.

WELL, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE SHIP, SO WE'LL COME GET YOU IN THE MORNING.

GOOD NIGHT.





WHAT, CUSTOMERS? THINGS SURE GOT BUSY SUDDENLY.

HAS THE ENTIRE VILLAGE TURNED OUT TO WELCOME THEIR FIRST VISITORS IN A LONG TIME? I LIKE THAT NICE RURAL HOSPITALITY, BUT THEY'LL BE FLOORED WHEN THEY FIND MEMBERS OF THE RENOWNED VANDIMION FAMILY HERE.

ACTUALLY, THIS DOES NOT LOOK GOOD...

.....

*FX: SHFF

WE WARMLY WELCOME YOU AS OUR GUESTS.

NO, NO.

*SHFF

TONIGHT IS A FULL MOON...

AND IT'S A SPECIAL ONE...

IT'S THE EASTER...

*THONK

...OF THE SEA GOD...

...THE LORD OF THIS ISLAND.

"FX: JSSHHHH

"FX: CRASSSH

"GYAHHHHH

"SHUNK

AGAIN...?! IT'S HAPPENING AGAIN?! GIVE ME A BREAK!

I GUESS THEY WERE FATTENING US UP.

LET ME GUESS, WE'RE OFFERINGS FOR THE FESTIVAL?

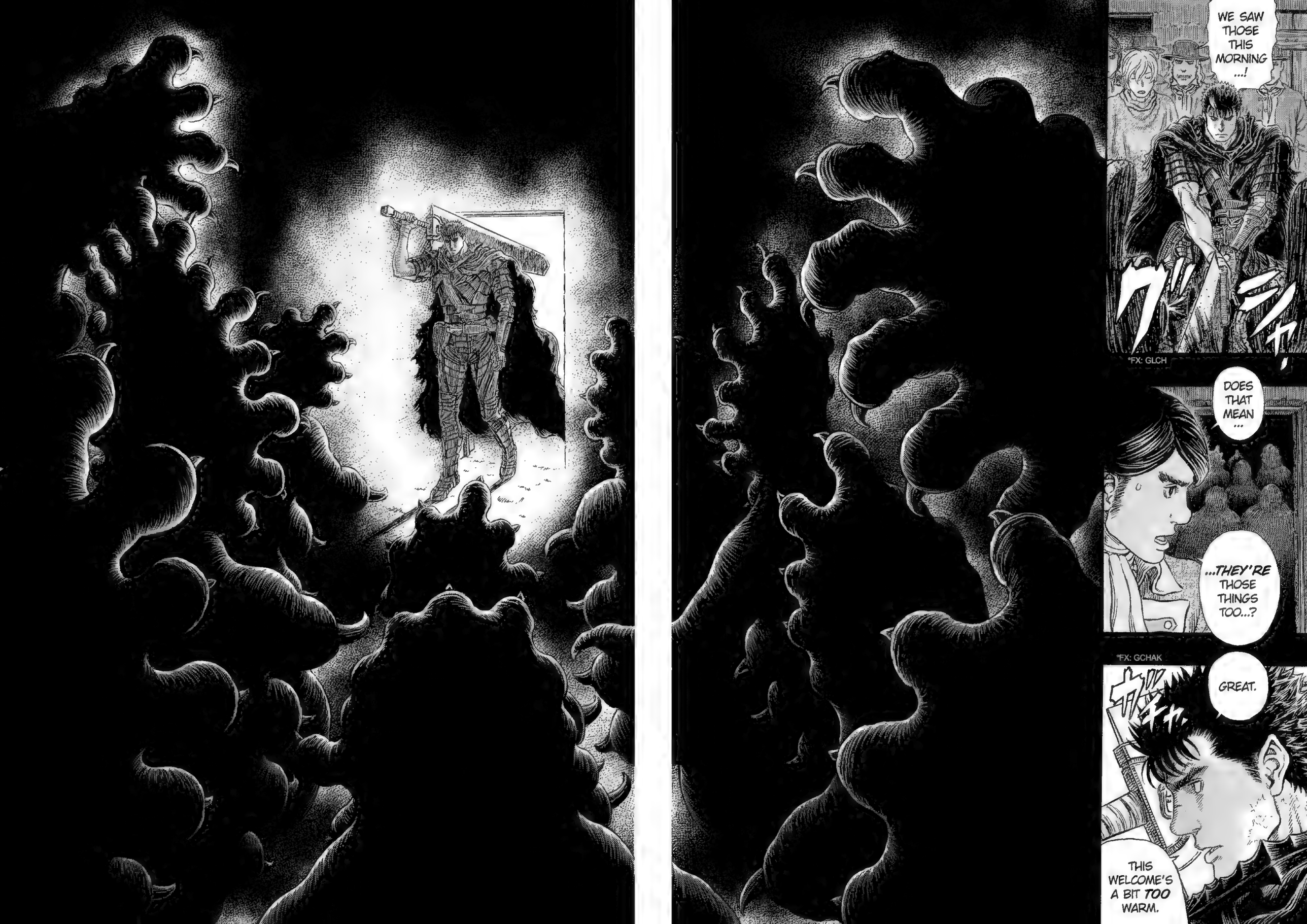
*TOK

*FX: ZHMM

*GRAB

*ZHOMM

WHOCK


WE SAW THOSE THIS MORNING ...!
*FX: GLCH
DOES THAT MEAN ...
...THEY'RE THOSE THINGS TOO...?
*FX: GCHAK
GREAT.
THIS WELCOME'S A BIT TOO WARM.

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HUMAN TENTACLES

...!

WHAT ?

?

...SOMETHING MUST BE HAPPENING OVER THERE.

IT'S DANGER-OUS FOOTING AT NIGHT, AND I KNOW A SHORT-CUT.

YOU KNOW, I'LL TAKE YOU THERE.

YEAH? THAT SUCKS ...

I JUST REMEMBERED SOMETHING URGENT. I NEED TO GET BACK TO MY FRIENDS IN THE VILLAGE RIGHT AWAY.

ISMA, I APOLO-GIZE.

WHUNK

*VYUOHHH

*BLACH

*BLACH

THE SYLPH SWORD SEEMS MORE POWERFUL THAN USUAL.

THERE'S INDEED A FULL MOON.

*ZHMM

YEEE ...!

THEY'RE BACK THERE TOO...!

OH RIGHT, THERE WERE CUSTOMERS BACK THERE!

*POUNCE

*SLITHER

*ZHNK

*DOSH

*SHRAK

I'M SURPRISED TO LEARN OCTOPI CAN CHANGE INTO HUMANS!

CAN'T SAY IT MAKES ME WANNA EAT ANY MORE OF 'EM!

FLOO FLOO

*DOOOOSH

*CLATA

*ZHOM

*ZHOM

*ZHOM

THIS MIGHT BE THE ENTIRE VILLAGE'S POPULA-TION...

STILL, JUST HOW MANY LIMBS ARE THERE HERE?

YEAH, THIS MANY *ARMS* CAN ONLY MEAN ONE THING...

*FLAIL

*FLAIL

THERE THEY ARE.

THOUGHT SO.

*WHOM

*CHONK

*DSSSH

*CHFF

*SHOOM

*FSHHT

*WHMM

IT'S TOO THICK ...!!

ON YOUR RIGHT !!

GUTS ...!!

*CLANG

SHLORP

SPLAT

HEY, YOU OKAY ?!

GUTS!

YEAH.

*GCHAK

BUT WE'VE GOT PROBLEMS ...

*FX: ZHM ZHM ZHM

*FX: CLATA

*FX: CLATA

...RIGHT INTO A NEST OF THESE *SEA SLUGS.*

LOOKS LIKE WE DOVE...

THERE'RE SO MANY OF THEM ...!!

TH--

...WITHOUT USING THAT POWER?

CAN YOU KILL THEM ALL...

WHAT'S UP?

LET'S MOVE AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN.

IS THERE TROUBLE OVER THERE?

SCHIERKE ?

WISH I HAD ONE FOR NIGHT FISHING.

WATCH YOUR FOOTING IN THE DARK...

HEY, THAT THING'S PRETTY CONVEN-IENT.

LOOK.

WHAT'S THE HOLDUP?

...DOWN BY THE CAVE FROM EARLIER.

H.

?!

SOMETHING'S CLIMBING UP THE CLIFF.

SKRRCH

SKRRCH

SKRRCH

SKRRCH

SKRRCH

*DSSSH

*KRRRN

*KRRRN

*SKRAK

*ZASSSH

*BLOSH

*YANK

*KRRRNG

*WHOM

*CLACK

BOOM

...
SHIT.

*FX: FWMP

HOW MANY TIMES AM I GONNA *FIRE* THIS THING TODAY?

*STUFF.

*DOOOSH

GUTS ...!!

I'M GONNA HAVE TO CHARGE YOU FOR THE POWDER AND SHOTS, CAPTAIN.

YOU CAN HAVE A WHOLE *KEG'S* WORTH.

*KACHING

...BUT WE'RE SO SURROUNDED WE CAN'T EVEN GET OUT OF THE VILLAGE.

WE COULD AT LEAST BOMBARD THEM IF WE GOT BACK TO THE SHIP...

*ZHM

*ZHM

*ZHM

*ZHM

I KEEP CUTTIN' 'EM DOWN, BUT MORE KEEP SPRINGIN' UP.

THIS ISN'T LOOKIN' GOOD, THOUGH.

*ZHM

NO!!

?!

USE THAT POWER OF YOURS!

H-HEY, BLACK SWORDS-MAN!

!

YOU KNOW, WHAT YOU DID IN VRITANNIS, THE ONE WHERE YOU LOOK LIKE A BEAST...

...MUST NOT BE USED!!

THAT...

THAT POWER...

HE'S LIABLE TO ONCE AGAIN...

IF HE USES IT ***NOW*** WHILE MY MISTRESS ISN'T HERE...

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*RMMMB

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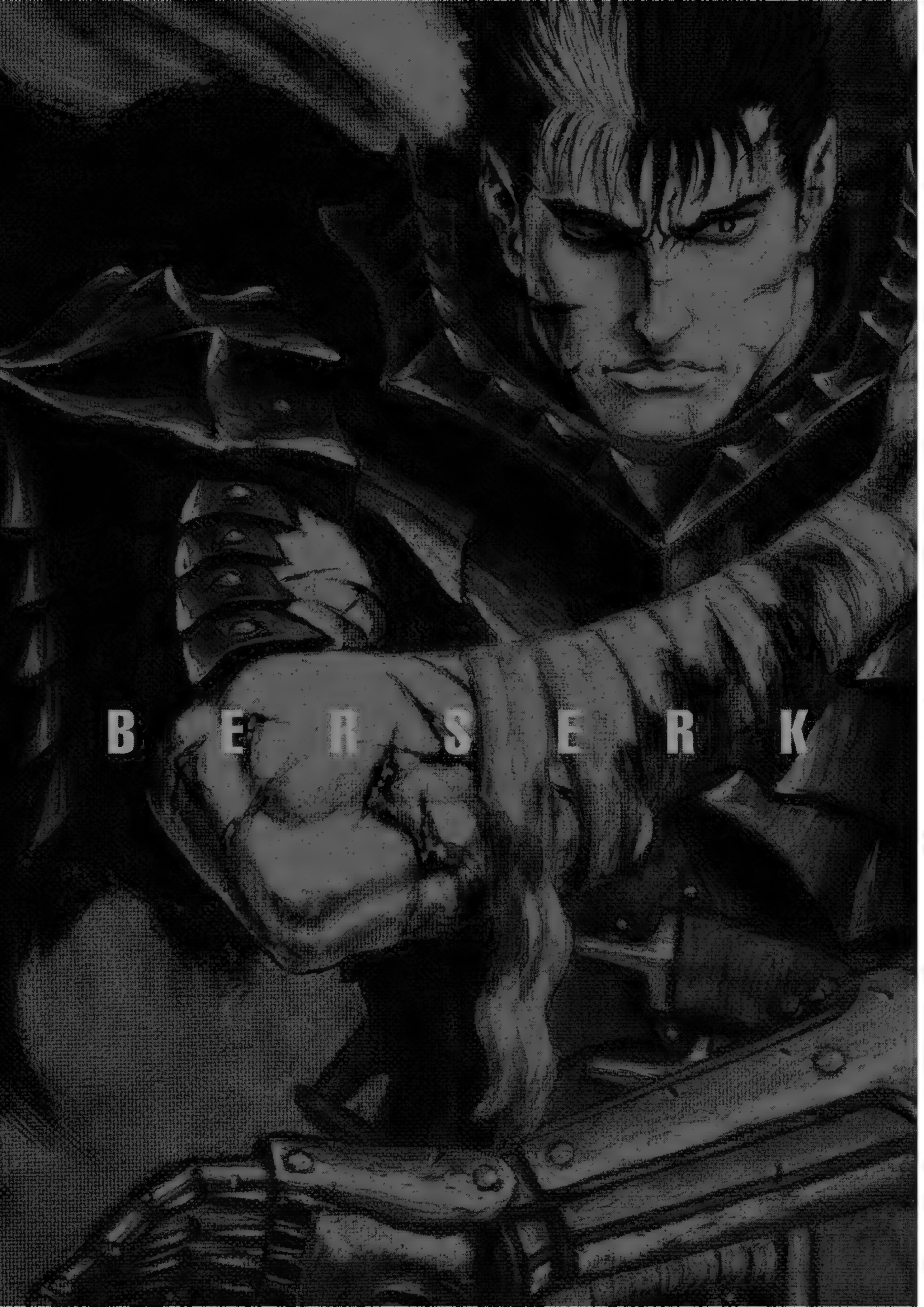
THEN HOW THE HELL DO WE GET OUTTA THIS...!!

*RMMMB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THE TENTACLED SHIP

*ZHMZHM

*ZHMZHM

NOW I'VE SEEN EVERY-THING...

A SHIP ?!

A--

OHHH...

YO HO HO HO HO HO!

IMPOSSI-BLE...!! A SHIP ON LAND?!

THIS IS JUST TOO ABSURD !!

SCARED YA, DID WE ?!

THIS IS A GHOST SHIP!

ABSURD IS WHAT WE DO!!

*BRRMMB

SORRY TO BE GREETIN' YOU FROM SO HIGH UP!! 'TIS I, BONEBEARD !!

ONCE I SMELL THE SCENT OF BLOOD, I'LL FOLLOW IT LIKE A SHARK HOWEVER FAR I HAVE TO!!

MAYBE IT'D BE *NICE* TO HAVE A GHOST SHIP.

BOTH LITERALLY AND FIG-URA-TIVELY.

I NEVER THOUGHT I'D LOOK UP TO A PIRATE.

THERE HE IS...!

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU CHOSE TO STOP RIGHT HERE IN OUR ROOST!

AND YOU'RE ALL A BUNCH OF FOOLS!

*IGHHH

VINDICTIVE-NESS IS THE IRONCLAD RULE OF SURVIVAL IN THIS HARSH WORLD OF PIRATING!!

HAR HAR HAR!! I'M HONORED TO EARN YOUR ADMIRATION!!

BUT WE ALL DIED, SIR.

JUST SO YOU KNOW, THESE TENTACLES DIDN'T CHANGE INTO HUMANS.

THEY'RE ALL LITERALLY HANDS AND FEET FOR THE SEA GOD.

EVERYONE WHO LIVES IN THIS VILLAGE IS ON OUR SIDE.

...AND YOU'LL BE BRETHREN OF THE SEA, JUST LIKE US!!

*LOOM

THERE'S A MONSTER INSIDE THE SHIP...?!

AND AT THE RISK OF REPEATIN' MYSELF... AYE... SURPRISED, ARE YE?

...YOU'VE JUST BEEN CUTTIN' OFF ITS WHISKERS.

THIS SHIP WILL DEVOUR YOU...

IT'S THE OPPOSITE!

HUMANS WHO GET EATEN TURN *INTO* TENTACLES!

*POKE

IT'LL HAPPEN TO YOU TOO, SOON ENOUGH!

*SHLLF

AND TONIGHT'S FULL MOON IS *SPECIAL!*

THAT GETS EVEN THESE GLOOMY FISHERMEN EXCITED!

SEEMS IT'S THE EASTER OF THE SEA GOD!

*ZHM ZHM ZHM ZHM ZHM

SO LAST TIME WE RAN OUT OF TIME...

BUT THIS TIME'S DIFFERENT. THE SUN ONLY JUST SET.

IT'S NOCTURNAL, YOU SEE. IT GOES BACK TO ITS DEN ONCE THE SUN RISES.

RIGHT, BRETHREN ?!

...YOU'RE COMPLETELY REBORN, AND THEN THE *FUN* BEGINS!

DONNN'T WORRY!

ONCE YOU'RE SWALLOWED WHOLE AND DIGESTED BIT BY BIT...

...THIS FEAST WHERE WE LAST LEFT OFF!!

NOW LET'S RESTART...

I DON'T WANNA BE A TENTACLE!

NOOOO!

*BATHUMP

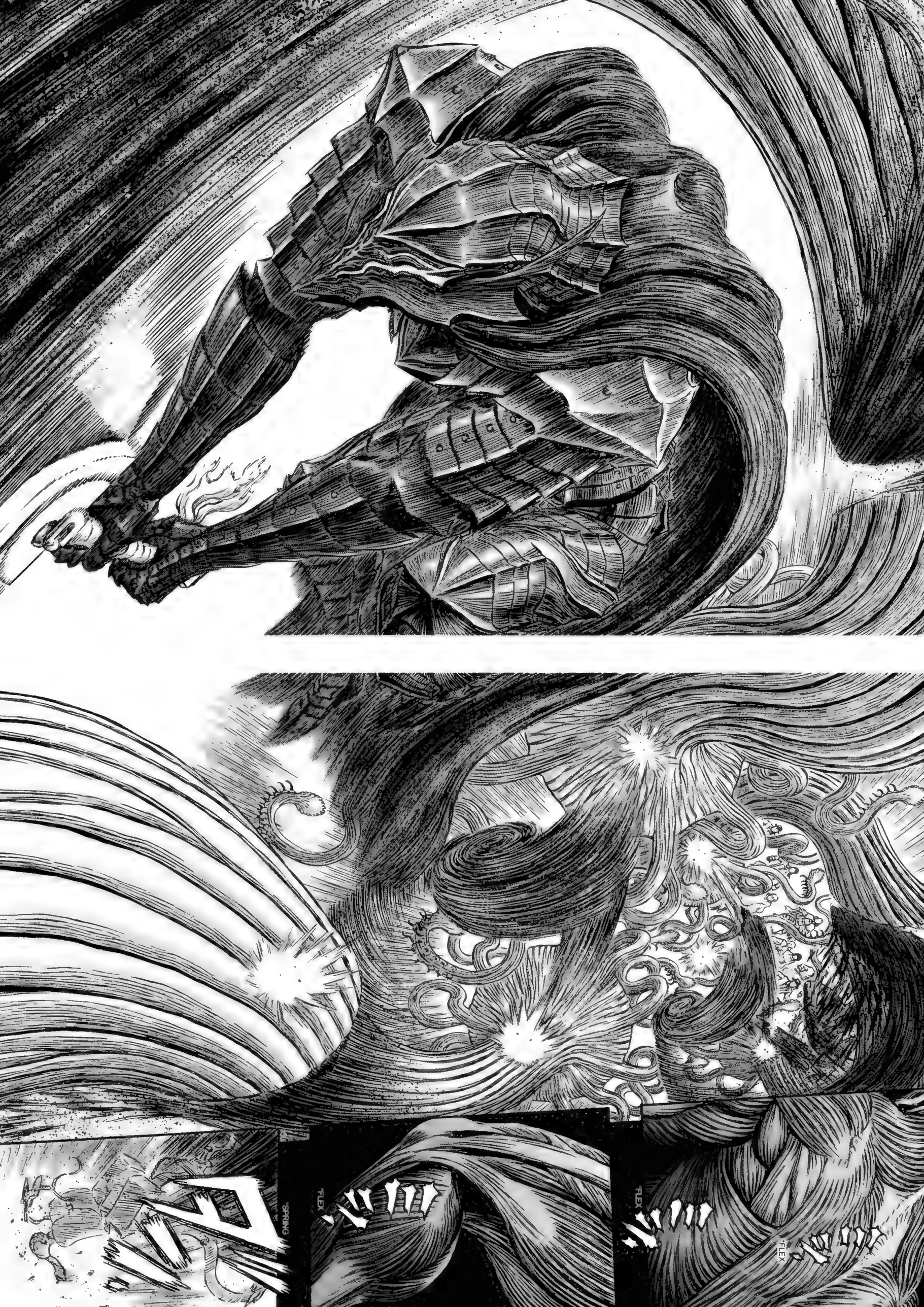
WAIT!!

...NO!!

AT LEAST WAIT UNTIL I'M THERE...!!

*ZHMZHMZHM

NO ...!!


FLEX
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SPRING

TONK.

GUTS...!!

BOOOOM.

RRRLL

WHAT IS THIS GUY?!

WHA--

*FX: FLEX FLEX

*FX: KRSH

*GROLL

*LEAP

*KRACK

*VSSSHH

TAKE THIS...!!

*SHOM

RIGHT THROUGH THE ARMORED HULL...?!

WHA ...?!

*MWOHHHH

*WHAPPP

*FLAIL

*SPRING
*SPIN
*SHNK
*SHNK
*SHNK

"WHOCK"

"VSHAHHH"

"DSSHH"

*RRRRL

GUTS...

I'VE SEEN IT BEFORE, BUT I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE HE CAN *DO* THAT.

ALL HE NEEDED WAS A LITTLE PROVOCA-TION.

AHH ...!

*RMMBLL

HA?!

HA?!

G--

IT'S KINDA FUNNY WHEN YOU SAY IT OUT LOUD.

AREN'T THOSE SLUGS?

GIANT SEA HARES AND A SHIP ARE ATTACKING THE VILLAGE!

CRAP!

IT'S STARTED ALREADY!

...!!

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STOP

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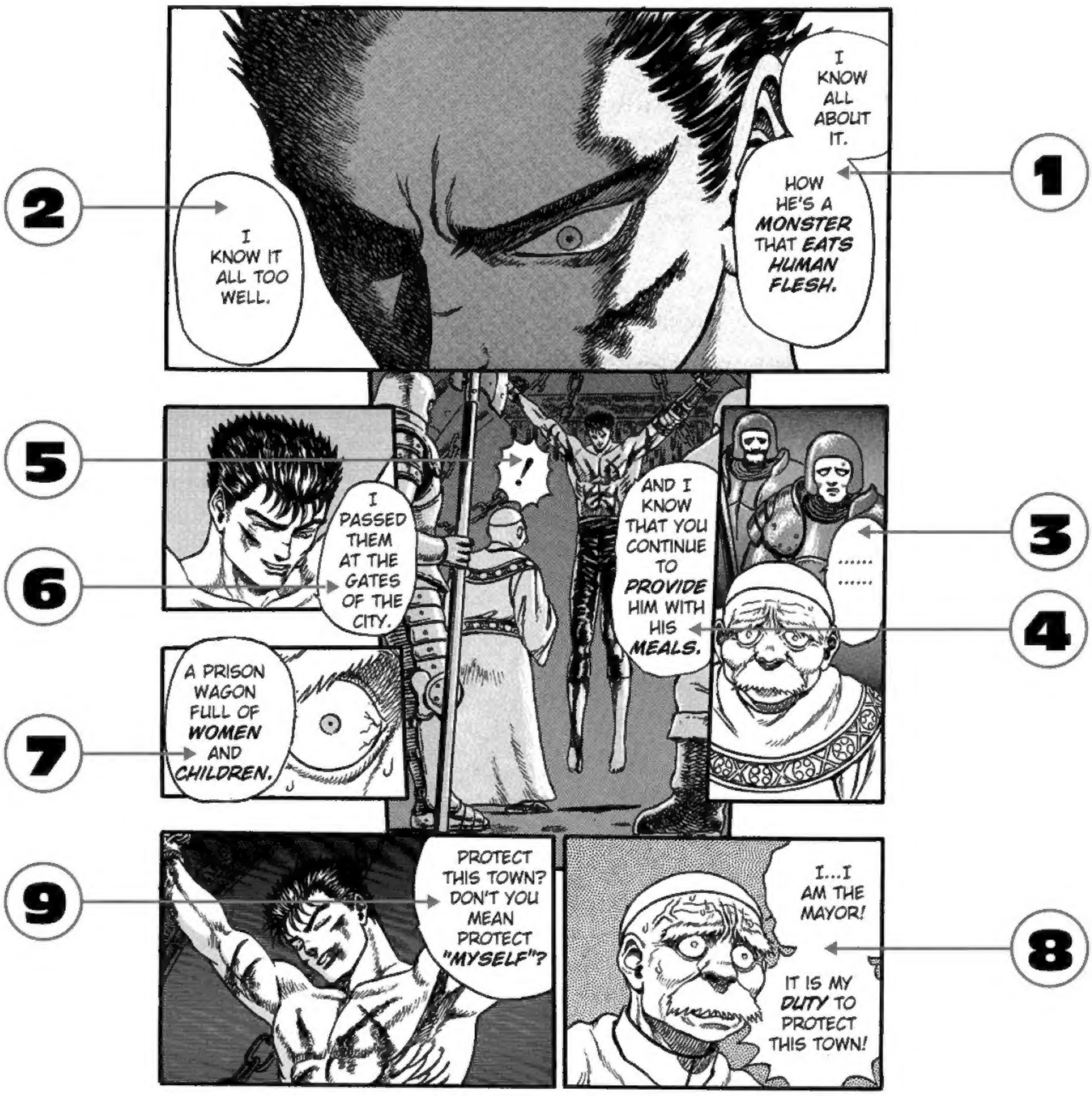

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